

Editors’ Note

Hey everybody! Your new Editors-in-Chief, Isabelle and Anna, are officially signing on! We’re sad to bid adieu to our oh-so-sage mentors, Alice and Mike, but, alas, they are on to bigger and better things at Harvard. We’d like to think that they’ve left your beloved Argo in good hands. But no guarantees. Just kidding!

At the end of two weeks comprised of grueling labor, Starbucks runs and countless senior shoutouts we are excited to bring you this year’s Senior Issue. As usual, it’s filled with not only the customary News, Forum, A&E and Sports sections, but also the graduation-themed goodness that you’ve been anticipating all year. We know that you’re aching to devour those spill-all senior surveys. In fact, I (Isabelle) remember skipping gym class in eighth grade just to sit on the bleachers

and giggle over seniors’ secret crushes.

Sadly, we must say farewell to News and Layout, our respective mother-sections, and hope that the new editors can keep their sections in line... In all seriousness, though, thank you all for stepping up to the plate to make 2014-15 a great year. We’d also like to thank Alice and Mike for being great leaders and advisers; we wish you two the best in your journeys through college and beyond. Just promise to come back and visit! (BTW, look to page 12 for the most adorable picture of Mike as a young child.) To all of the graduating Argo seniors: thank you for the time, energy, smiles and tears that you’ve contributed to Argo over the years.

With all of those cheesy, yet heart-felt, thank-yous and goodbyes out of the way, we are proud to begin this new era of

Argo with a boom! Expect to continue seeing high-quality articles, humor, comics (!) and possibly even some major graphic changes that have been long-discussed but never implemented. But we’d also like to solicit your, our readers’, advice. Got any suggestions for the paper? An article you’ve been dying to read or write? An ardent desire to eat that famous Final Friday pizza? Well it’s time to flex those long-suppressed creative muscles! Feel free to send ideas to blsargo@gmail.com or join the Argo next year!

So congratulations to all of the seniors for making it out of BLS alive (we really, truly envy you), and wish us luck as we embark upon yet another year’s adventure with the Argo!

Peace out,
Isabelle and Anna, Editors-in-Chief

A Letter to Dr. Carroll the Younger

BY ANNA PENG, III
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Dear Dr. Carroll,

The day you told me that you would be moving 3000 miles away to Seattle was, without compare, the most devastating day of my life. I was touched that you would give up all you have built in 16 years at BLS to allow your wife, Tammy, to accept her dream job at Seattle University. But knowing that you would never be my teacher again was a reality I never thought I would come to face so soon.

All the memories of the past year I have spent in your German and Latin classes flood to my mind, but words cannot begin to describe the impact you’ve had on my life. You truly live up to and beyond your title, “teacher”. The greatest “head fake” you’ve ever pulled is that, while teaching German and Latin, you also teach about life: how to live it, the brickwalls that arise, and how to get through them.

You have provided your students with a rich and diverse learning experience by incorporating excerpts from books, clips from films, and personal stories into your lessons. Your role models - Randy Pausch, Marcus Luttrell, Sophie Scholl - have become my role models through “How to Achieve Your Childhood Dreams”, *Lone Survivor*, and *Sophie Scholl - The Final*

Days. Seeing your enthusiasm in learning Irish, in addition to German, Latin and Russian, has encouraged me to cherish the gift of language. By expressing honesty, sympathy and understanding, you have become a mentor and a friend. You have made our days at BLS more than a monotonous struggle. *Fiat lux!* You let me see the light beyond the bars on the basement windows by sharing your experiences at Holy Cross, Harvard, in Ireland, Eastern Europe and everywhere in between. Your small gestures, such as bringing Munchkins on a Monday morning and the occasional “Verstehen Sie Spaß” video, really brightened my days. The therapy music and inspirational videos you played have helped me relieve stress. School became a journey; I could look forward to what each day had in store.

In the words of Bruce Springsteen: “We made a promise we swore we’d always remember: no retreat, no surrender.” You have equipped me with the tools to go out into the world and live a wholesome and successful life and I will not allow the time and energy you’ve contributed to my education go to waste. I will strive to pass on the pieces of your experiences which have shaped my life, in hopes to shape *The Lives of Others*. Bruce Springsteen may have said, “Every day it just gets harder to live the dream you’re believing in.” but the example you’ve set has inspired me to

find the motivation to relentlessly pursue my dreams, regardless of how improbable they are. There are no words, in German, Latin or any language, that can express my gratitude for all that you’ve done.

I know that I am not alone in saying that your absence at BLS next year will be a hole in the heart of the school. The precedent you’ve set will be difficult for anyone to live up to — your empty shoes will be impossible to fill. You may say that you’re blessed to have the students you’ve had, but I am the one who should be truly honored to have been your student. Although I am heartbroken to see you leave, I wish you and your family the best of luck in Seattle. I hope that Tammy enjoys her new job, Martha makes some great new friends and William will climb the ladder and can once again become “one of the cool kids.” I know that you will continue to do great things and touch people’s lives in incomparable ways. I hope your future students will appreciate your stories, teaching and love for Bruce Springsteen as much as I do.

*Danke für alles. Auf Wiedersehen.
Vive aeternitatem felicitatis*

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News

BLS Takes Intel Science Fair 2014

**By SOPHIA TANG, IV
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Three Boston Latin School students represented Massachusetts at the 2014 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF), winning notable prizes, including the prestigious Gordon E. Moore award.

During the week of May 11-16, 1,783 students from over 70 countries gathered in Los Angeles, California to compete in the Intel ISEF competition. All participants qualified through local fairs either at the regional, state or country level. Nathan Han's (IV) "Characteristics of Deleterious Mutations in Tumor Suppressor Genes," Terry Ni's (III) "Development of In Vitro Multispecies Biofilms with Hydroxyapatite and Artificial Saliva" and Jonathan Zou's (III) "Novel Engineered Oral Vaccine Against Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) /Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)" were among the top four projects at the Boston regional fair, qualifying them to represent the Massachusetts delegation of 22 students at Intel ISEF.

The 2014 Intel ISEF kicked off on Monday, May 12, with an opening ceremony hosted by Christina Ochoa and Kyle Hill. The event also featured speed finger painter, Jean Francois and keynote presenter, chief executive officer of Not Impossible Labs, Mike Ebeling. On the following day, students exchanged location-specific pins and souvenirs with other students from different re-

gions in the pin exchange event.

"The pin exchange [is] the perfect opportunity to talk to people from all other countries and learn what their life is like. The person next to me was from Ukraine!" Ni exclaimed. "Now there's [even more] merit in the science fairs because you just get to meet so many wonderful people."



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: HAN, IV, ZOU, III, NI, III

Attendants then underwent eight hours of grand award judging on Wednesday by scientific experts in each project's respective field. In between grand award judging periods, special award judges also evaluated projects of particular interest.

Ni took her project to receive the first award of two thousand dollars from the American Dental Association Foundation and the fifth award of five hundred dollars from the American Society for Microbiology. Han received the Gordon E. Moore Award and a prize of seventy-five thousand dollars,

along with the Best of Category Award of five thousand dollars in the field of medicine and health services, a certificate of honorable mention from the American Statistical Association, and an honorable mention prize from the Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence.

On their success, Ms. Bateman,

program director of math and science, says, "What's special about the students that have award-winning projects is that they have genuinely intellectual curiosity, an incredibly strong work ethic and really good social skills in order to ask questions and work with people."

Ni, as many scientists do, draws inspiration from her own life. "This year," she recounts, "I wanted to study gum disease because [a family member] lost almost all her teeth due to gum disease since a young age."

"I feel incredibly honored [to

represent Boston]. The support from the school and the city's science departments [has] been amazing and they've been with me every step of the way," Han says of his experience. "Boston and BLS alike are known for being great educational centers, and to be the representative of both such communities is a humbling experience."

Boston Latin School has long supported students in participating in science fairs. Not only does BLS allow students to extend their knowledge beyond the high school curriculum, but also encourages them to perform research that can benefit the greater community. Many of the research topics concern major illnesses such as HIV and various forms of cancer. For these high school students, participating in science fairs as an extracurricular is a serious time commitment, demanding a large amount of time and energy investment into their research and presentation. Despite this, the students proceed with dedication and motivation that make the process and their findings worthwhile not only for themselves but for the scientific community as a whole.

"I think every student should have the opportunity to perform independent research on something that interests them. The science fair gives students an opportunity to do that," Bateman adds. "We have many, many untapped potential scientists and researchers in the building, and I would love to encourage them. If they want to pursue it, then I want to give them the opportunity."

Freight Car Garden

By BEN WU, V
STAFF WRITER

Boston Latin School is now home to a hydroponic garden courtesy of the Global Green School makeover competition last September. This "freight farm", packed inside a freight train, is valued at \$30,000, and is currently used to grow vegetables such as kales, peppers, lettuces, and tomatoes.

The freight farm, dubbed "Leafy Green Machine", is a vertical garden that grows vegetables from the ceiling to the floor. Created by Brad McNamara and Jon Friedman, the project was financed via Kickstarter, a crowdfunding website where users can invest in small-scale projects. Utilizing water, UV lights, and nutrients, the garden is soilless but nevertheless produces fresh crops. It runs on

electricity, but according to the Freight Farm website, alternate sources of power, such as solar panels, are currently under development. The insulation of the car is important when growing crops in the Boston climate. Many greens that would be considered seasonal if planted in a conventional setting could be constantly supplied using insulation to alter the inside temperature. According to Ms. Arnold, head of the YouthCan club at BLS, a future plan for the crops is to integrate them into students' lunches.

Even though the freight farm has been started at the beginning of the school year, BLS must get the vegetables approved by authorities before serving.

"Next year we will be working with inspectional services since there are very strict regulations about how you can get food into a school lunch but we

want to be able to use the food we grow in the garden in our lunches," explained Ms. Arnold.

There is also potential in introducing the freight farm into many BLS classes, such as environmental science.

"Having a hydroponics lab can make for a good learning experience for those in biology and environmental science because it gives us a visual and hands-on experience with biology at work. And having something so amazing near our school would spark new interests among the younger ones in BLS in science and can contribute to having more enthusiastic and excited students," comments David Chen, (V).

Although the freight farm seems like the holy grail of agriculture, the heavy downside is the cost to maintain it, which is estimated at around \$20,000

annually. Ms. Arnold, however, has her own solution: "We want the students growing food and selling it at farmers' markets...some money will go into purchasing the resources, because you have to keep it going." Right now, BLS has been donating the food grown to local food banks, but the new prospect of a possible profit could mean some healthy reimbursement, or eventually funding for future programs.

The freight farm has potential for pushing BLS to be more eco-friendly. This could serve as a great kick off for getting the whole of BPS into this green mindset. "It provides fresh produce using a greener approach, and it can get other students involved and interested in agriculture and in the sciences. It can bring everyone together as a community," remarks Ashley Chung (VI).

BPS Food Program in a Pickle

**By VICKY GRINBERG, II
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STAFF WRITERS

In April, a shocking new report reviewing the Food and Nutrition Department of the Boston Public Schools was issued. The report found appalling revelations and revealed several secrets and practices that painted the department negatively.

The new report states that the program is disorganized — according to the Boston Globe, it lost over \$21 million in the past eight years. Even after the department raised lunch prices, its fund still plummeted. In addition, the report found the system possibly hazardous to children because there is no organized method in alerting workers of

allergies. In a recent surprise inspection, it was also found that there were food items kept in the freezer with overdue expiration dates.

Especially after the implementation of free breakfast and lunch for all students, the program's annual deficits continue to rise — last year the deficit was \$3.6 million and is likely to be similar this year. This is concerning, considering the program is supposed to be self-funding. Some critics claim that since the deficit is so large it drains funding from other resources, such as books and educational supplies. In the past, the program has blamed the large deficit on the cost of food and the families who did not pay their lunch bills, but, according to the report, it reflects a lack of will to solve issues within the

program.

Furthermore, the environment of the workplace has been revealed to be "hostile," meaning the lunch employees are controlled by a system of intimidation.

When asked about his or her opinion of the report, a Boston Latin School lunch employee — who asked to remain anonymous — stated, "I cannot comment on the issue because the food service administrators are trying to squash it and wish for it to be kept quiet."

This issue, while spurring controversy, has still eluded most students. Rachel Guen (II) says that she had not even heard of the review that was written, but did say that, recently, "the food quality has become a lot lower." The re-

port confirms this and attributes it to the lack of organization for the allocation of its resources. A review of the report by the Boston Globe also cited a problem with planning food — frequently, there are more students vying for the lunch than there are lunches, leaving students hungry.

Some solutions to the subsequent issues have been written in a review by the Boston Globe with more than two dozen recommendations, including using federal funds to reduce food costs, ordering food, tracking work hours through the use of computers and creating a more strategic and managed business plan. The ultimate goal is to keep deficit levels low and create more welcoming and comfortable working conditions.

Senior Spotlight
Jonathan Bekele



By Chiebuka Iwuh, I
Contributing Writer

Jr. Gong, Kakashi John, Paul Pierce Protege, Senora Bek, crowd popular Jbek and my favorite one: Johnnny boy. These are all the nicknames that Jonathan Bekele has been called throughout his seven years at BLS. That is right, seven. Eighth grade was a struggle for him but he pulled through and excelled, the way Jbek always does.

Jbek comes from a tough neighborhood in a tough city: Boston born and Roxbury raised meant that he was obviously a savage. In fact, in the beginning I did not like Jbek because I thought he was weird and his head was abnormally big. Over the years, however, I have come to realize that he is one of my best friends and will always be my brother.

Whether it be playing basketball at the Huntington Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA), where Jbek is a local legend on the courts and the gym there, and even has his own plaque on the wall right by the main entrance, to studying for one of Ms. Kirkpatrick’s long but interesting Foreign Policy (FoPo) tests, Jbek has always been right there beside me, like a brother, through thick and thin, on the court and on the night before a test, and everything in between.

Jbek also embodies what Trinidad James refers to as “On Instagram Straight Flexing.” In fact, if you look closely at his Instagram you will see two things. The first thing you notice is how popular he is because he does not follow anybody back (that is the light skin effect). The second thing is how Smoove this young, 6’2” 180 pound Ethiopian point guard is. With these two stunning qualities combined, it obviously makes sense why he is notoriously known for “shutting Instagram down” with his famous modeling shoot on the mountain in Spain, to being the man in the dougie circle at Junior prom last year. In addition, he is also known for having the second most likes on Instagram—just behind the great Alex “Nacho” Casseso, of course. All in all, Jbek is a wonderful human being, someone most people have come to appreciate and love throughout his years at BLS. He possesses great leadership traits and has that award winning billion dollar smile which puts him over the top socially and aesthetically. If he is not Draining Threes and Mixing Dudes Ankles (not on me of course—my 6’5 230 frame is TOO much) on the basketball courts, he will be volunteering at his local church or coaching for his old baseball team. You might as well call him Martin Luther King the third. I have really grown to love my brother Johnnny boy over the years and I can’t wait to spend my college career with him at UMass Dartmouth as well. His biography says “Dream Big” and I know he won’t stop dreaming until he reaches his goal of attaining his Ph. D in psychology. I love you Johnny Boy and I will see you soon. Buy me Lunch.

News
Man Kills Six to Avenge his
Rejection by Women

By Sylvie Stolloff, II
News Editor

Six people were killed and several more injured in a horrific mass killing at the University of California in Santa Barbara (UCSB) the weekend of May 23. The perpetrator was 22-year-old Elliot Rodger, who himself was killed by a self-inflicted shot to the head after fleeing a shootout with local police.

Rodger began his murder spree by stabbing his three roommates. He then made his way to UCSB’s Alpha Phi sorority, where he opened fire outside the building. Officials report that thirteen people were hurt: four injured by Rodger’s car and eight wounded by gunfire. Seven people were hospitalized with one remaining in serious condition.

The fatal weapons were found to be legally obtained and registered to the culprit, despite California’s comparatively strict gun regulations. Investigators later found over 400 remaining rounds of ammunition in Rodger’s possession.

Before committing this atrocity, Rodger released a YouTube video detailing his motives for the crime, which he attributed to his continuous rejection by women. “I don’t know why you girls aren’t attracted to me but I will punish you all for it... I am going to enter the hottest sorority house of UCSB and I will slaughter every single spoiled, stuck up blonde I see inside there...You will finally see that I am... the true alpha male,” he said in the video, which was later taken down from the site. “If I can’t have you, girls, I will

destroy you. You denied me a happy life and in turn I will deny all of you life. It’s only fair. I hate all of you,” he continued. The speech ran seven minutes long.

This video did not come completely out of nowhere. Rodgers had posted a number of similarly misogynistic and hateful videos on YouTube, though none so extreme as his last. His mother had previously called the police upon seeing his earlier recordings, but a minimal investigation left the police determined he was “polite and courteous,” and no action was taken at that time. Warning came again when Rodgers sent his parents a 141-page manifesto relating his disturbing views shortly before the shooting. Fearing that their son would do something terrible, his parents called the cops once more. But by the time they had notified the authorities, it was too late for Rodger’s victims and eventually for Rodger himself.

As with all such atrocities, people have found solace in pointing fingers. Some are outraged that the first police inspection of the deranged culprit did not find him dangerous enough to take action. Others blame the state’s gun laws.

“Although it is terrible that the police could theoretically have stopped this before it happened by arresting Rodger the first time, they probably didn’t have legal grounds to arrest him then. It’s really hard to tell if someone will go crazy like that. If we knew how to tell, we’d be able to prevent more of these shootings from happening,” says Kristen Fields (II). “The best prevention we can do is to tighten gun control laws. He should never have

been able to purchase a gun.”

Still others believe this problem extends beyond the presumed insanity of one man. Rodger was an active Mens’ Rights Activist, and a frequent user of the online forum “PuaHate,” which prides itself on “revealing the scams, deception and misleading marketing techniques used by dating gurus and the seduction community to mislead men and profit from them.” This flagrant mission statement echoes the headlines of its feature stories, which range from “Are ugly women completely useless to society?” to “Have any hot women ever committed suicide?” Rodger has even found some sympathizers in the world of social media. One viral tweet cited on the Daily Dot reads “all it would have taken was for one of you [girls] out there to take one for the team and this whole thing could have been avoided.” Facebook has struggled to keep up with the fan pages that have popped up lauding Rodger as an “American hero,” which the company has been promptly taking down.

It is this shocking reaction, although it pales in comparison to the number of people who sympathize with Rodger’s victims, that leads others to call for education as a means to eradicate views like those of Rodger. His rampage, despite whatever role mental instability may have played, was influenced by misogynistic beliefs. Conor Freeley (II) says, “We need to teach our children to respect women.” In fact, these events have led to movements regarding women’s rights and rape culture across the country.

KARLMICHAEL,

YOU HAVE GONE THRU TRYING TIMES AND SUCCEEDED...CONGRATULATIONS!! I NURTURED YOU ALL THESE YEARS FOR YOU TO HANDLE THE RIGORS OF LIFE. YOU ARE VERY TALENTED YOUNG MAN AND GIFTED IN SUCH WAYS, WE, AS PARENTS, DO NOT HAVE TO TUTOR YOU IN YOURSCHOOL WORK. YOU DID IT ON YOUR OWN. ANY PARENT WILL LIKE TO HAVE YOU AS THEIR SON. YOU ARE AN EXCELLENT CHILD AND WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU. WE HOPE THAT YOU CONTINUE TO BE DILIGENT AND DO YOUR BEST TO COMPLETE, YET, ANOTHER TASK, TO HAVE THAT BACHELORS DEGREE.

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As you set out to conquer the world, follow your heart and your dreams, and know that your family will always be there for you!

WE LOVE YOU ALWAYS, MOM, DAD, MICHAEL, ELIZABETH, STEPHEN, and GRAMMY XOXO

To our beautiful, intelligent and all around wonderful daughter,

Liv Nickerson

Congratulations on your graduation from BLS!

It has been quite the journey and you have persevered all the way through.

Liv, we are so proud of you.

Today and always!!

Love,
Mom & Dad

SIS To Document Misconduct

BY SYLVIE STOLOFF, II
NEWS EDITOR

As part of their push toward “progressive discipline,” the new Boston Public Schools Code of Conduct calls for everything from misdemeanors to suspensions to be recorded on Student Information Systems (SIS), a movement which is strongly opposed by the Boston Latin School administration and has yet to be officially implemented.

Progressive discipline is a strategy in which punishments increase in severity each time a student repeats the same crime. Court Street officials maintain that for this system to be properly executed, schools must update parents, teachers and administration using SIS each time a student commits an infraction. They deem this necessary because, if every iteration of an infraction was not recorded, something that would qualify as a suspension in the private records of the BLS administration would appear to be a first offense to school board officials when they view the online database. That means that SIS would have to display not only the student’s letter grade in conduct, but the reason for each misdemeanor or other infraction allotted so that a punishment could progressively determined. These write-ups would remain on SIS for the remainder of the student’s stay at BLS, available to all of his or her teachers for all

six years. As a result, high school teachers would have access to the most minute offenses committed by their students as far back as the foolhardy days of sixie year.

Mr. Flynn, the assistant headmaster in charge of discipline, is strongly opposed to this idea. Although he supports the use of recordkeeping in determining progressive discipline, he does not understand why the current system used by the BLS administration is not good enough. Currently, major infractions committed by BLS students are recorded in files in the main office.

Their contents are known only by the student’s floormaster, homeroom teacher, Mr. Flynn himself and the students’s parents via a letter sent home. Parents are not notified of minor infractions, like misdemeanor marks. If this new system were to be put in place, not only would parents have access to more trivial misconduct, but teachers might be influenced by a student’s conduct grade, which may or may not be an accurate basis for judgment. There are some things that teachers are “not entitled to know,” says Mr. Flynn. “We want students to have a clean slate” when they enter new grades, he adds, without the fear of being “labeled a cheater.” With this new implementation, all their past mistakes would travel with them from year to year. Additionally, putting conduct online adds another level of permanence to files that

are legally meant to be temporary, according to Mr. Flynn. In our current system, five years after a student graduates, all conduct files are shredded—completely destroyed. But Mr. Flynn warns that once something is online, it is out there forever.

“We teach kids to be aware of what they put on the Internet,” he says. “The same goes for this information; it isn’t dangerous, but it’s still out there.” He upholds that schools should be trusted to efficiently keep records without having to put them online for higher-ups to see. After all, they have been doing it for hundreds of years.

Most students seem to take Mr. Flynn’s side. “I think it’s a bad idea to allow future teachers to see past misconduct. It influences their opinion of students in a negative way,” says Nora Cameron (II). Rakabe Abraham (II) agrees: “It seems completely unnecessary to inform so many people of smaller infractions,” she says of the extended network of people with access to information on SIS.

The overall sentiment of the BLS community can be summed up in the words of Mr. Flynn: “The [currently used] kind of documentation that’s not available to everybody is sufficient for our school, and it should be sufficient for every school.” Ultimately, however, the decision is up to Court Street, although BLS administration suspects it will play out to be a matter of implementation.

Mr. Gay’s Success

BY JONATHAN LI, V
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Have you ever had that one class where you could learn a lot while also having fun? A class that you look forward to everyday? Mr. Timothy Gay, a Boston Latin School science teacher, performs the impossible by combining education with vacation to turn his classroom into an exciting environment where students can not only learn and do well on tests, but also enjoy their time in school.

Mr. Gay regularly tops the “Favorite Teachers” list in the annual Senior Argo Issue and is said to be easygoing, as well as fun, to talk to. Many students choose classes that Mr. Gay teaches, just so that they might have a chance of getting him.

Joshua Lomansey (V) says, “When I first had Mr. Gay, I was a bit scared, but I soon realized he is one of the best teachers I ever had. He was smart, funny and very easygoing. I hope I get him for my future career at BLS.”

Mr. Gay interacts with his students in a way like no other. Short guys that have phoenix tattoos on their arms usually aren’t award-winning science teachers, especially not ones who ride motorcycles like Mr. Gay. His contemporary take on his students’s education has not gone unnoticed, as he was the 2012 recipient of the ING Unsung Heroes award for utilizing innovative teaching methods and striving for excellence in education. This award promotes teachers that have intelligent, 21st century techniques to educate students.

He also went on to receive an American Chemical Society grant under his project, “Connecting Field Studies to the Classroom.”

“Merging science and teaching was always something that I wanted to do” says Mr. Gay. “When I received the award, I was pretty shocked. I didn’t even know I was that talented, to be honest, but apparently a lot of people think I am.”

Mr. Gay developed a program, “Environmental Appraisal of the Emer-

ald Necklace Park System,” which helps students explore Boston’s surrounding climate by connecting it to global climate change and sustainability. In the project description, he mentions that students will be using PASCO probes and iPads to analyze data that they have collected. Sample projects include measuring the change in soil and air quality and studying animal and plant life. Upon conducting these studies, Mr. Gay hopes that students will present to the Emerald Necklace Conservation in order to improve the park system.

As many BLS students know, a lot of time is spent in the classroom doing “busy work.” There are few opportunities to explore the environment, practice hands-on techniques or use updated technology. This project will help extend the bridge between the classroom and the outdoors.

Hopefully, other teachers can adapt to Mr. Gay’s teaching style and his philosophy, as many students believe that it is one of the best that Boston Latin School has to offer.

Senior Spotlight Sebastian D’Amico



BY KENIA GRUBBS, I
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Some might mistake him for Michael Stahan or Laurence Fishburne but his real friends know him as Sebastian or Sebby. If he’s not sporting his purple wrestling sweatpants accompanied with the matching grey hoodie, you’ll see him in the grey sweatpants with the blue armour hoodie (very simple guy). However, to much surprise, there is much more to this guy than just the space between his teeth or his sweatsuit arrangements. He’s a hidden gem. Not only is he a force to be reckoned with on the football field, he doesn’t look too bad toppling other guys in spandex (wrestling). He’s been perfecting his cello craft since he could walk and although he is still incapable of memorizing his pieces or actually playing, he continues to persevere. But the hard work doesn’t stop there; at just over 200 lbs, he cannot stay out of the kitchen or restaurants or your plate period. D’Amico can eat a 2lb chipotle burrito in one bite, (every day, he eats it every day) without ever skipping a gym day and most importantly not leg day. He may be “thickkkk” but the guy is pretty damn fit. The best thing about him though is he’s the perfect friend. I mean there aren’t too many people who answer texts even after I take 4 hours to respond, can take on 15 dumplings for \$8, ride passenger on a 4:30AM stake out for assassins or console me after I take a mean L or curve.

Sebby, I wish it didn’t take me 6 years to realize how awesome of a person you are. Every day, I hope to become a little nicer and just as caring as you’ve been to me. And though I always remind you that you are the worst, it’s all a facade. You’re Aubrey and I’m Drake. You’re beat, and ... Well you’re beat. I’m positive I won’t find another lightskin as emotional as you in college who still wears drawstring bags, (and I have to admit I’m a little jealous Bentley gets to have you for 4 years) just like you won’t find another me, because you know I’m territorial and that’s just not an option. Next year, we’ll be more than 1,000 miles apart but I’ll still FaceTime you asking what color I should paint my nails, to complain, or even just to listen to you stutter when you get too excited about a story or to get a laugh when the Mad Men theme song comes on. So yes it is indeed the end of our Highschool lives but not the end of our friendship. I still have a whole bunch of things to drag you to. But for anyone who didn’t know Sebby that is reading this, you missed out. And I’m truly sorry for your loss B.

A Legacy in Societas

BY HEATHER FORBES, II
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It was a sight of beauty the night of Tuesday, May 20, when juniors and seniors were honored for their achievements in their Chinese, French, Italian and Spanish classes. Masterminded by Madame Valentin, who has served in the Boston Public Schools system for 34 years, the induction into the Boston Latin School (BLS) Modern Foreign Language Honor Society, was filled with music and a candlelit procession. Called “Societas,” Madame Valentin proposed the idea of this society to honor the accomplishments of students and to highlight the hard work of teachers. To be granted admittance, students had to have a 3.7

overall Grade Point Average (GPA), and an A- average for each year they studied a foreign language, in addition to completing a written application in their language of study.

In recent years, the Modern Foreign Language department has made great bounds, sending students to France in the Strasbourg Exchange Program and pairing students from Beijing with Boston Latin School students, for example. But the birth of the Societas Honor Society has perhaps been the icing on the cake, as for two years now, more attention has been brought to the department. Now, when we say goodbye to Madame Valentin, who is retiring after this year, we will be left with her legacy of great success and determination in the guise of Societas.

In Madame Valentin’s words, Societas aims to “update the face of the Foreign Language Department for the 21st century and bring recognition to the exceptional achievement of our students.” And if this year’s induction ceremony was any indication, there is great support among teachers and parents throughout the whole school for Societas. Without their support, the induction night would not have been possible.

With any luck, the Modern Foreign Language Department here at BLS will continue to grow and increase in prominence. We will miss you, Madame Valentin, but your legacy will surely remain as future students to come will be inducted into Societas, the dream that you brought to fruition.

Spotlight

Chiebuka Iwuh



By Jonathan Bekele, I
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6’5”, young, black, handsome, and of course a leader who is soon to be your child’s favorite role model: Chiebuka or “Chewy” - whatever you call him - is one man that can’t be missed. If he’s not begging you for a dollar or yelling a new catch phrase like “(Insert here),” he’s tweeting his life away. Chewy is somewhat of a role model to the younger generations of BLS, always looking out for his peers, and is genuinely an easy-going type of guy. He’s always the loudest in the room and can start a party out of almost any dull situation with his nae nae, Pj Bop, and mean YEET. Chewy is a smooth criminal unparalleled in this generation, causing a huge drought in girls for the other guys. He is part of the “crew” which comprises of Solomon, Jbek, Adam, Elijah, Mike, Elis and others who always stay together as a pack. You can never miss them walking down the hallway, especially with Chewy leading.

Representing his hometown of Roxbury to the fullest, he runs pretty much every inch of the city. There is not one place in any neighborhood of Boston where someone doesn’t know him. Even in the suburbs his name is held in high regard, and his story will be passed on for generations to come. His fame, however, is spread in ways unknown to man, because as far as we know, this man never leaves the comfort of his home to physically interact with the outside world and its surroundings. For some odd reason he prefers calling his friends multiple times a day to check up on them and ask what their plans are for the day. It is as if he lives vicariously through us. Regardless of that fact, he somehow still manages to remain The Man. If only he were to reveal his ways, maybe we all could be as cool as him. But let’s be realistic, that will never happen. Never! Whenever he does decide to come out and hang, he brings a great time with his sense of humor and ability to make a joke out of any type of situation no matter how serious it is. Every awkward situation he ends up being apart of often ends with The Crew dying of laughter. It is a fact known to man that when Chiebuka arrives at the scene, the real fun is about to begin. All we can do is pray for the college he enrolls in. They are not ready.

Chiebuka has a bright future ahead of him as he will make a pit-stop at UMass Dartmouth before eventually ending on Love and Hip Hop Atlanta, with millions, a Rolex, and a Bugatti. If you haven’t had a conversation with Chewy we suggest you do; just be ready to fork over some money to feed his hunger.

News

The Green Team: BLS YouthCAN

By Nathan Oalican, IV
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The Boston Latin School Youth Climate Action Network (BLS YouthCAN) hosted an annual Climate Summit at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) on May 10. Ran in partnership with the Alliance for Climate Education (ACE), the topic at the summit this year was energy and its impacts on climate change. The summit attracted over 200 people from the New England region, featuring a variety of guest speakers, who piqued the interest of all present, as well as exhibitions and workshops that aimed to improve the sustainability of the environment.

On May 28, BLS YouthCAN was visited by Andrea Falken, director of the United States Department of

Education Green Ribbon Schools program, to congratulate BLS’s acquisition of the Green Ribbon award, a designation reserved for schools that demonstrate excellence in environmental education, action and outreach. To win a Green Ribbon, a school must first be nominated by a state education official and must clear basic regulations to apply. Despite a long and tedious selection process, BLS was chosen this year as the only school in Massachusetts to receive the federal award, making it one of the only schools in the nation to hold both a national Green Ribbon and Blue Ribbon, the educational equivalent.

Falken, Catherine Arnold, Headmaster Lynne Mooney Teta and other green building officials attended a meeting in the Memorabilia Room, where YouthCAN students held a presentation to showcase YouthCAN’s efforts to edu-

cate the student body about sustainability. Students also discussed innovative strides to improve sustainability of not only the school community, but also the local community by successfully spearheading ambitious projects such as the single sort recycling. “We’ve managed to decrease our waste from two dumpsters to one—a 50 percent waste reduction,” Victoria Wu (II) commented on the tremendous impacts YouthCAN made. Falken was also impressed by the changes that YouthCAN brought: “It’s a pretty big deal.”

As a largely student driven organization, YouthCAN has had astonishing success in bringing about important changes to the school community. “When you have kids who are taking an active role in their learning... it’s really just incredible,” Headmaster Mooney Teta said of their work. “It’s the finest example of 21st century education.”

Moving Ahead in Brain Development

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On May 27, Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) scientists announced a project that aims to effectively treat mental illnesses suffered by combat veterans through the use of brain implants. This thirty million dollar, five-year long project is a part of President Obama’s The Brain Research through Advancing Innovative Neurotechnologies (BRAIN) initiative, which was announced last year and aims to map out the human brain in order to better understand and cure psychiatric diseases such as Alzheimer’s, epilepsy and other traumatic injuries. A research team at the University of California San Francisco will receive twenty-six million dollars in funding to also conduct development of brain implants. Both the Massachusetts and California research teams aim to build a device that will be ready for clinical trial by the end of these five years and are held to strict milestones that must be met for continued funding.

The Massachusetts team plans to utilize a transdiagnostic approach, integrating multiple tools to identify brain patterns that are the signs of psychiatric disease. They intend on taking advantage of cutting edge brain screening technologies and techniques used in treating epilepsy cases to piece together several treatment strategies and ultimately produce precise, programmable devices that can stimulate and sense brain activity in multiple areas.

The research builds on existing brain implant technologies already used in hundreds of thousands of patients diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease. The new implants aim to be more dynamic and include a network of sensors that can detect problems and react accordingly if abnormal brain activity is detected. “By using an approach like this, you can actually focus on the actual problematic area,” stated Dr. Emad Eskandar, an MGH neurosurgeon who will co-lead the Massachusetts research team.

The project also oversees applications in research to better understand and treat

mental illnesses as a whole. The BRAIN initiative takes steps to deepen our understanding, paralleling how the Human Genome Project, which started in 1990, enabled large advances in the understanding of our genes over the course of more than a decade.

Even though the project holds much promise, caution is still observed. Dr. Steven Hyman, director of the Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research at the Broad Institute, while optimistic about the initiative of the project given the relatively little progress in the last few decades, warns, “There’s always the risk that we have to remember of psychiatric treatments that were perhaps well-intended that went off the rails.” Hyman, who also advises the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency on ethical implications of neuroscience research, said that the agency, which funds the project, is taking cautious and open steps. He also said, given the pressure to come up with treatments, “I see little alternative other than careful human investigation.”



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and to the entire class of 2014
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FORUM

Should Donald Sterling Have Been Punished?

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With a conversation recorded by his girlfriend, we now have evidence to prove that Donald Sterling, previous owner of the Los Angeles Clippers, is racist; this is evidence that many prosecutors lacked in past unsuccessful lawsuits. In the leaked recordings, when his girlfriend asked why he was associated with “black” people while she couldn’t be, Donald Sterling replied that they are his employees and he pays for their food, housing and other needs. This comment is offensive and can be interpreted as a reference to the days when slavery existed.

In fact, he has always been a terrible person despite what he put out for the public. He even runs his own advertisements in the newspaper that congratulate himself for his donation to different charities. Recently, he tried to donate 3 million dollars to the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) right after the recording was leaked, but his donation was rejected.

The punishment he received for this recording was that he is forced to sell the Los Angeles Clippers and is banned from the National Basketball Association (NBA) and any events related to basketball. The banned for life part is okay, but the selling of the Clippers is a very illogical move. It is far from harsh enough. Selling the Clippers will allow Donald Sterling to make at least 500 million dollars. Also, a sports team is not really “property” in the sense it is a house or a plot of land. It is a franchise that affects the value of other franchises in the organization, which has the ability to regulate the other franchise holders. Donald Sterling still retains all economic claims on his franchise and will definitely receive a very good market price for those claims.

One of the controversies on this case is that his girlfriend recorded his private thoughts without him knowing, possibly in exchange for money. His girlfriend almost seems to be leading him on. He was also recorded at home, which could be an invasion of privacy. In an interview with Dr. Phil, however, she stated that these recordings were a routine. She said that he was a demanding man and as a personal assistant, she had to record the things he wanted. She explained how one time she forgot to stop recording, and when she listened to it, she was surprised to hear Donald Sterling talk about horrible things such as discrimination of other races. She told Dr. Phil that she began recording the things he said with his permission in order for Donald Sterling to hear himself and what kind of person he was. Besides, these people of status and influence in society would not really express their negative remarks in public since it endangers their reputation. A negative reputation will never help the person gain favor of the general public or other people with higher influence. Thus the only place where one can express these kinds of feeling is in a private facility like a home, so recording privately is the only way to find the true opinion.

We cannot have any people today, especially those with political power or higher status in society, who still have a mentality of the segregation of races. These people of influence should be punished accordingly in order to show the public that no one slides past the law and that their negative image will influence the public to not engage in similar activities. Racism still exists even as an indirect reference in society. The main causes are ignorance and silence, which do not allow the human race to accept the past and move on to create a better society where one will never discriminate someone else’s natural skin color and where one can feel proud of his or her skin color. Times have changed, so we should too.

In an America where 49 percent of white people no longer consider racism as a major threat, as opposed to 18 percent of black people who vouch the same, we hunt down racism like deer, searching feverishly for prey. On the surface, our culture is no longer anti-black, or anti-brown, or anti-yellow. We are anti-racist. But rather than uprooting the problem itself—a problem which proposes that racism still lies, embedded, in society’s mind—we scramble to gun down the easy, obvious targets: targets such as Donald Sterling.

To be sure, Donald Sterling is a mistaken man with a mindset socially suited for the 19th century, but his lifetime ban, fine and forced resignation from his ownership post of the Los Angeles Clippers are blatantly excessive. For years it has been no secret that Sterling is an unabashed racist, and no punitive measures were taken; suddenly, one wired recording slices Sterling’s reputation cleanly off his shoulders. In essence, Sterling is not the only one accountable for his catastrophic punishment—on the other side of the table lays the desperation of the National Basketball Association (NBA) to compensate for years of neglect.

Sterling’s immediate forfeiture of his team and his legacy is a consequence of a simple human instinct: overreaction—a desperate misfire by basketball officials seeking to appease public scrutiny and to bury Sterling’s legacy under twenty feet of shame. But by stripping Sterling of everything but his suit, we destroy memories of his actions, both right and wrong—and in many respects, he is not only human, but is also a respectable man. One striking instance comes in the form of a rejection by the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) of a three million dollar grant made by Sterling towards providing kidneys to patients in need. While the generous three million dollar donation is not vital to the UCLA, the kidneys are vital to thousands of dying patients. Before his racist allegations, Sterling was commended for his work with minority children and the underprivileged. And his enterprise, the Donald T. Sterling Charitable Foundation, likely had plans to launch a summer program for the poor.

Most of all, Sterling’s harsh treatment deals little with racism itself. Eradicating one outstanding racist fails to touch the widespread plague of racism. With polls coming in from around the country, a significant trend shows that a substantial fraction of Americans feel that Sterling’s punishment was delivered too harshly. What comes next is a step in either direction: is the NBA really suppressing racism, or fueling it with outlash?

The answer is simple. We often forget that famous people are also human, and we attack them with vigor. After all, whenever someone that people could admire is overthrown, there’s big news. Every person, however, has small prejudices. According to a Harvard study, 80 percent of people show pro-white associations. Absurdly punishing one person does not deal punishment to the actual people who keep racism going, to the people living among us. In fact, these citizens are only angered, and will only puff themselves up when their pride is hurt. The results are conflict and chaos that no one needs. A lesser punishment is best for delivering the intended lesson. Often in history, movements that are too harshly shut down rise up even stronger. If we do not want the adamant racist to spring back with more energy than ever, we need subtly invoke them to change their mind. Force, such as that shown by the current disciplinary measures, is never successful.

Sterling’s crime, racism, is a form of extremism, but in taking exorbitant measures against him, the NBA is being hypocritically extremist. True, we live in a racism-paranoid society, but also in a rational one. And so, although Sterling deserved some degree of chastise, his current downfall is too severe—one which promotes an environment of unfairness and ineffectiveness.

Forum Question

Should Donald Sterling Have Been Punished?



Yes, although as part of due process, the legality of the evidence against him should still be examined.

-Harry Xue, I



No, because he can say whatever he wants as long as he doesn’t carry out anything that opposes any sort of laws.

-Edward Wang, II



It is interesting that people become very offended about this particular remark, while words like that can be heard everywhere. I am not condoning the action of Mr. Sterling but I cannot understand why people made such a big deal about it.

-Duy Nguyen, III



Yes, because he should take responsibility for his actions.

-Jonathan Hall, IV

To our beloved son
Trevor Holden Jude Thaddeus O’Brien
You are simply amazing and we are so proud of you. Congratulations on your accomplishments. We wish you good health, peace, happiness, love, and success in all of your intentions and endeavors.

Congratulations on your graduation
Keturah
Siobhan, Ciara and Garrett

CONGRATULATIONS
AIDAN
WAY TO GO!
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU
LOVE,
DAD, MOM, AND MOLLY

FORUM

Anti-Semitism at NEU

BY MAHLET SHIFERAW, III
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Not too long ago, a watchdog group called Americans for Peace and Tolerance (APT) drew attention to the increasingly anti-Semitic and Islamic extremist actions that were taking place at Northeastern University through a series of videos. For example, one such action occurred on Holocaust Awareness Day, when the university hosted a screening of the film Defamation. This film has the audacity to present Holocaust survivors as no better than Nazi soldiers; it claims that they are merely using their survival stories to make money and profit off them. Even worse, there have been several professors—one of the more notable ones is a man by the name of Muhammad Shahid Alam—who teach that Israelis are the new Nazis and therefore deserve to be attacked. This ridiculous statement is only worsened by the fact that if a student has the courage to attempt to defend Israelis from this verbal abuse, he or she

would have their grades marked down. This would happen just because he or she dared to disagree with the professor! I am sure that many students have come across at least one teacher with some questionable grading methods, but nothing quite so absurd as this. But grades aside, it is obvious that this rising anti-Semitism and Islamic extremism is a serious issue at Northeastern University and needs to be addressed as soon as possible, if not immediately.

When confronted with these accusations, however, Muhammad Shahid Alam said, “If you are an academic or an activist, if they call you [Anti-Semite] wear that as a sign of distinction. This proves that I’m working for the right side, for the just cause.” Clearly, this man embraces these allegations and sees nothing wrong with what he has been doing. Another professor, Denis Sullivan, who also faced accusations of anti-Semitism, reportedly said this about Hamas, an extremely genocidal Palestinian organization: “Hamas is a

terrorist organization, sure. They also do great health care and kindergartens.” In fact these so-called “kindergartens” brainwash young Palestinian children with genocidal hatred and teach them to seek martyrdom. Additionally, neither Denis Sullivan nor Northeastern’s media relations department have responded to these allegations. In the videos made by APT, however, Jason Pressburg, a former director of the Israel Programs at Northeastern Hillel, is interviewed. In these videos, he reportedly said that Sullivan is “vehemently anti-Israel” but “claims to be unbiased.” This is completely false, as numerous students have repeatedly brought up “the incredible bias that he has” and say that “Denis Sullivan will disagree with them and give them a bad grade because of it.”

In fact, if the anti-Semitism is not bad enough, the most disturbing aspect about this whole affair is the systematic repression of any voices that might want to speak out in defense of the Israelis and the stubborn ignorance that purposefully

avoids discussing such issues. Have we not learned from the past? In fact, this entire situation is almost reminiscent of Nazi Germany itself, when similar subduing of free speech was witnessed; these people also claim to bring justice, when in reality, they are no better than their predecessors.

Thankfully, Denis Sullivan has since been removed from Northeastern University’s Jewish studies program—the fourth faculty member to have suffered such a fate as a result of anti-Semitic and Islamic extremist accusations. It should be noted, however, that to this day, that Sullivan remains a co-director of the university’s Middle East Center—a concern which I believe should be addressed as soon as possible. As long as people like Muhammad Shahid Alam and Denis Sullivan continue to express such worrisome sentiments, do they really deserve to be in a position of power like this—a position in which they can expose the young people of our nation to such ideas, and actually enforce them?

College Choices Don’t Matter That Much

BY GEORGE HUYNH, I
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Beginning as early as December and as late as March of your senior year, all you will hear from your peers is, “What school are you going to next year?” The most hardworking, talented, and furthermore, fortunate, will respond without hesitation, while many who may not have been as lucky will reluctantly respond with a touch of disappointment and even shame.

It should not be that way. We, Boston Latin School students, should be proud of what we have accomplished and what we continue to achieve every day. We were all drawn here to receive an amazing education at the best public school in Boston, and by the time we graduate, we will have made the most of it.

Nevertheless, college admissions decisions are a crapshoot—an uncertain matter. A holistic formula of competitive SAT scores, a handful of extracurriculars and a great GPA won’t always get you into your top school. There are always more than enough qualified students who could perform well at the most prestigious universities, but of course, acceptances are capped due to limited

resources such as space and professors. Admissions are all about demonstrating your ability to thrive on their campus and in their courses. I often question how I got into both Yale and Harvard when both my SAT scores and GPA are subpar compared to the average BLS accepted student on Naviance. My mentor Emmett, however, always reassures me that I belong by asking, “How boring would it be if the best colleges took only students with 2400 SAT scores?”

Yes, I only applied to two schools—elite, Ivy League schools. So why should you believe me when I say it’s what you make of your college education? It is because I have the dreams of any other Boston Latin student: I want to learn and grow, to make the most of the incredible opportunities I have been given.

Not everyone will get into their own number one choice college, but there is no business moping around for very long. If anything, you should spite them for refusing to give you the chance, and instead, give it all you’ve got at the college that does recognize your abilities. Of course, ultimately, sometimes students are faced with an array of factors aside from personal fit and program quality, such as finances and the distance or location. Moreover, I will not discuss what

college is the best for you—that is for you to decide—but just know that, whatever college you go to, you have the chance to excel as long as you keep a positive attitude and work hard.

John Wong (I), who will be attending Boston University next year, was right: “College is but one step of the long journey in life. It does not define your accomplishments nor your potential. If you seek happiness, pursue what you love; if you desire success, climb the mountain of perseverance, and if you desire a ‘good’ future, define your goals and sculpt thy marble into your own masterpiece. College is simply what you make of it.”

Some might say, “It seems that everyone has a college degree nowadays,” but that is simply not the case. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 65.9 percent of high school graduates in the United States enrolled in college in 2013. Furthermore, at a rate lower than half that, only about 30 percent of adults in America have a bachelor’s degree. By no means do you even need a college degree to be successful, but studies have shown that with higher levels of education and degrees come greater wages, regardless of the name of the college.

The value of a college degree—and where it was received—is, of course,

considerable, but universities only lay out their resources. In the long run, it is up to you to follow up and pursue them. The professors will not come to you asking if you need help or advice; you have to track them down after class and during their office hours. Their huge endowments will not matter if you do not request funds for your project or your trip to study abroad in Europe. You are an adult now, so no one is simply going to hand you everything.

Let us take a step back. Do not spend all your time doing homework and throwing yourself into extracurricular activities that you hate just because it’ll look good on your résumé. Enjoy your high school days. Look forward to college, wherever you wind up. As exciting (or even depressing) as it may seem, it’ll probably be the best four years of your life. Prioritize and find what you are truly passionate about, what makes you happy. For, within a decade, if I can say that I am happy, I will have been successful. The real world is within your reach, but you have to take the approach appropriate for yourself.

Don’t cut yourself short. You are worth more than the college you attend.

Remember, sumus primi. Good luck.

Senior Curse

wrong.

In eighth grade, we missed out on the Connections program for fivesies. That year was also the last year of honors classes, meaning that no one from the Class of 2014 could take honors classes in high school for a higher grade point average. Our class became the first class without higher grades from honors classes factored into our GPAs, which hurt our overachieving souls.

Then, when we were sophomores, all taking World History II, BLS decided to offer Advanced Placement World History for the first time to incoming tenth graders. Boy, were we angry. All of the benefits seemed to fly by, just out of our reach. It didn’t help that in junior year, we were lab rats for SIS, the new online grading system, during our most important year of high school. Not to mention that it rained during our junior prom (I guess Mother Nature just hates the number 2014.)

Of course, we missed out on a fair share of benefits as seniors, too. We weren’t given the option to take AP United States History in either junior or senior year. As professional procrastinators, most of us would have loved to postpone the torture until senior year. None of us were able to miss class and attend the new Alumni Job Fair that was offered to juniors. Unlike the juniors, we had to suffer through two excruciating class periods while they got to talk about careers in the Dining Hall. It was also during our senior year that the science department announced that highly motivated students could jump to AP Physics from Physics I without any additional requirements. We were also the last class that had to complete a mandatory senior research paper as a graduation requirement. New incoming seniors now have the option to take the Interdisciplinary Capstone course, in which they complete a capstone project rather than write a

large paper. Sooo hard, right?

But wait, there’s more! Not only is there going to be free student Wi-Fi next year, but students will get to come to school at 10:30 because of professional development every third Wednesday. I mean, it’s not like we growing teenagers needed the sleep, anyway.

However, it’s not just school benefits that the Class of 2014 is missing out on. The CollegeBoard doesn’t like us either! The curriculum for AP Chemistry and AP U.S. History are being changed, so they are now easier compared to when we took these classes. The SAT is also being revolutionized, and the Critical Reading section is being revamped. Esoteric words like picayune and peccadillo (thank you, Mr. Sanford) are now being eliminated in favor of “words in context.”

So it’s not hard to see why the Class of 2014 seems to be cursed. We hope all of you underclassmen are enjoying the benefits that we couldn’t have.

BY HENRY TSANG, I
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You might have heard that the Class of 2014 is “cursed,” and you’re probably asking yourself, “how can an entire class be cursed?” Well, I’ll tell you how. It’s no secret that the Class of 2014 missed out on pretty much everything. Almost every single benefit that was offered to students during our time at Boston Latin School was just out of our grasp.

It all started during sixie year. We were all ready and excited for Sixie Field Day over at Clemente in June when Mother Nature decided to rain on our parade (literally). We spent the entire day inside, watching Transformers on those hard, back pain-causing antique wooden chairs in the auditorium. It was just a fluke, right? “Something bad like that could surely happen only once,” we thought. Of course, we were totally

FORUM

Move Prom to Saturday

By **EMILY XIE, IV**
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It is considered a norm to devote hours to perfecting elaborate hairstyles and full-fledged makeup designs on the day of prom. These many hours for grooming are not just spent to look one's best for the event but are also a part of the complete prom experience. To eliminate or rush this pre-prom process would be to minimize the whole prom experience. Since students want to be able to relax and focus solely on prom the Friday of Junior Prom, and teachers are unwilling to allow students to miss classes, the logical solution would be to schedule Junior Prom for a Saturday.

This idea of a perfect prom also includes the hours leading up to it, and many students find the fullness of their prom experiences cut due to school regulations on school attendance the day of prom.

In an email sent a few days prior to Junior Prom, Mr. Montague stated the Boston Latin School prom policy: "All students planning to attend Junior

Prom on Friday, May 23, or the Senior Prom on Tuesday, June 3, are reminded that they must be present at school on the day of the prom in order to attend. In addition, there will be no early dismissals allowed that day for students attending the prom."

Between rushing home after school at the end of the school day and the start of prom at 6:30 P.M., there only remains around three hours for pre-prom time, which is not enough time for students to look their best while having a good time.

"Having prom on a Friday can be really inconvenient because we only have three hours to prepare," says Jasmin Liu (II). "Even though that sounds like a long time, we have to do our makeup, hair, get changed and take pictures together. Time ends up going by really fast."

Teachers, however, should not be blamed for wanting their students to maximize their learning opportunities and keeping up good attendance at school.

A Saturday prom would not just

satisfy the students' needs for more time to prepare, but it would also be beneficial to the teachers. Students would be able to concentrate more in class without the stress of prom looming over them, reducing teachers' aggravation toward distracted students. With an event as important and exciting as prom occurring mere hours after the school day, it would undoubtedly be difficult to pay attention in classes.

"Thinking about prom [at school] is like the forbidden fruit that always gets eaten. I was very distracted about Junior Prom. I needed to pick up my corsage," says John Wong (I), describing his experience at prom as a junior. "Some of us were wearing tuxedos and what-not for the first time. By the time we finished, we were waiting for the girls for a good hour because they didn't have enough time to do their makeup and hair. The cherry on top was when it was pouring rain, and guess who forgot to prepare umbrellas?"

Having the attendance policy on the day of prom is to ensure that students attend classes so that the learning

process is not halted for one day due to prom. The entire purpose of this is defeated if students are distracted in class. By having prom on a Saturday, students will not be nearly as unfocused, and the full day of preparation would allow students to be able to avoid situations as described above by John Wong.

Nafisa Wara (II) sums it up best: "Prom being on a school day is a really silly idea, and it should be on a Saturday instead. I know a bunch of other schools do that, and it makes more sense because students won't be tempted to skip school, they would get the entire day to get ready and there's no rush to get home because it's during the weekend."

Scheduling prom on a Saturday would, most importantly, leave more time for friends to spend time together on a night that is supposed to be the best during high school. When students look back to their prom experience and recall the memories as stories for their own children, they want to remember it as "the best night in high school," or the fulfillment of their fairytale fantasies—not as the time they had to "rush to get home" or "forgot to bring umbrellas."

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The vegetarian community at Boston Latin School feels underrepresented by the school lunch system and many students cannot access meatless options. Most vegetarians at BLS opt to bring their own lunch because they cannot eat the meat dishes.

Aside from the occasional macaroni and cheese, the dining hall of BLS is filled with pulled pork, chicken sandwiches and other meaty plates. We are fortunate enough for these lunches to be served with a side of fruit and vegetables, but it should not be so difficult for a vegetarian to obtain one of these healthier options. On one occasion, after waiting in the ever long lunch line, Ciara Sheerin (II) asked a cafeteria staff member if she could get a meal without its accompanying turkey sandwich. Following a few minutes of debate, she was denied her request and was told that she could take either the entire plate or nothing. In defeat, Sheerin resorted to a bag of Munchie Mix. As much as we all enjoy this delicious snack, one would not exactly call it brain food.

The problem is that the dining hall policies in theory differ from what happens in reality. Due to the fact that students this year are able to eat lunch for free at school, pupils must

eat at least three foods on each plate. This is because the state only refunds the school for meals that include three different foodstuffs. This should be

show that the lunch staff is making an effort to hear the voices of those who are opposed to eating animal products. Many are unaware of this option,



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wonderful for vegetarians, since they could select only the sides they can eat. However, in the case of Sheerin, people are often told that they must take a meat option.

Students have the chance to order a salad before school and receive it during lunch, but vegetarians ought to take note: the salads come with meat unless otherwise specified. Although these salads are not free like the meat dishes, this program is a great way to

which is a good replacement for the salad bar. This once preferred meal of vegetarians has been shut down due to budget cuts, since the salad bar is labor intensive: a staff member must be supervising it at all times. "We simply did not have enough help," stated Mrs. Lowney, head of the dining hall.

The decision to not eat meat can be for moral, nutritional or religious reasons. Therefore, the BLS meat policy does not only affect the veg-

etarians. "I was denied lunch options because of my religion. This is not okay," said Emily Barden (II). Barden was observing the religious holiday Lent and could not eat meat on Fridays. After waiting in the lengthy Free Pizza Friday line, there was only pepperoni pizza left over that she was not able to eat. Emily did not have access to a healthy school lunch that met her religious needs and she believes that it is her right to be embraced by a school community that is more accommodating.

With all of the shortcomings of the dining hall, however, it is also important to recognize that BLS is making strides to provide nutritious lunches for all students. Kate Swain-Smith (II) acknowledges that "even though there are no real options for vegetarians, the quality of the food has to decrease because it is free." The staff members of the dining hall want the students to have healthy and tasty lunches: "I am here to make kids happy. I love making different meals and get a student what they need if they come to me and ask for it," said Mrs. Lowney.

As of now, BLS wants to provide all children with food, but they do not prioritize vegetarian options. Implementing more meatless main dishes and spreading awareness of current resources would fix this problem.

CIA Falsely Promises Polio Vaccinations in the Middle East

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For over three years the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has been vaccinating children in the Middle East, mainly Pakistan, in order to prevent Hepatitis B from spreading. Although the United States made it seem as though they were providing a favor for the Global Health Organization by targeting this issue, this "act of kindness" was provoked by ulterior motives.

The CIA has been using the vaccination process to collect deoxyribo-

nucleic acid (DNA) from Pakistanians and using this information to find people who are related to Osama bin Laden. After bin Laden was killed in 2011, the CIA proceeded to "vaccinate" people throughout the Middle East. Complaints were filed in as early as January, 2013 from U.S. public health schools about the damage that these fake vaccinations caused. Only after almost a year, however, were these issues actually directly addressed.

On May 16, 2014 President Obama announced that a CIA policy was put into place in August of 2013, banning

the use of such tactics in order to search for terrorists. Health officials from not only the U.S., but from other nations as well, have been concerned with the CIA's choice to continue to administer the vaccinations, and now the concern is focused on why the U.S. has taken so long to announce the actions that they took to fix the problem. According to a senior administration official, disclosing this kind of information can be a long process.

The U.S. should not have gone to such lengths in order to find a terrorist. If they had actually vaccinated all

of the people they said they did, even if it was because they were searching for bin Laden, the situation would not have caused as much controversy as it did. Putting the lives of others in danger is what we want to avoid when we find terrorists. It is not justifiable for the U.S. to do just that to the people of Pakistan. If the United States vows to solve a global health issue, they should focus on the health of the world and not just of our own country. Although self defense is important in maintaining the security of our country, we should not put innocent civilians at risk.

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Game of Possession

Senior Spotlight

Bridgette Collier



By Emma Curran, III
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It was a cold spring night when Bridgette “Bridgie Smalls” Collier was first brought home to God’s Country. Bobby C. was so proud; she was climbing the monument at 6 months and swimming after hours at the Bunker a few months later. Her infamous first words were ‘aye townies,’ which she has continued to shout after scoring in both hockey and lacrosse.

Since then, Bridge continued to grow, becoming a part of the BLS community and excelling on the field and on the ice as captain of both the lacrosse and the girls’ hockey teams. Bridgette always took her academics seriously, proven when she was inducted into the National Honor Society. She expertly juggled school and sports while also spending endless amounts of time tutoring those who needed extra help. In her free time, she even managed to ‘rob the banks of Charlestown.’ Most prestigious of all, Bridgette is known for having the best “rear view” on both the girls’ hockey and lacrosse teams. Noticeable from light-years away, the butt of Bridgette Collier has won many awards, particularly ‘Charlestown’s Sexiest Woman Alive.’

As one of the captains of the hockey team, Bridge held down the D-squad scoring goals, getting assists and taking penalties. Bridge has a strong presence on the ice, working hard every shift. She was a leader on the ice and in the locker room in between periods, always keeping spirits high with speeches as inspirational as the ones from Herb Brooks in the movie *Miracle*. She always befriended new teammates, whether they seemed weird (Emma “I once got myself stuck in a railing” Curran) or were the only sixie on the team (Joyce “I’m the only sixie” Welch), and was always supportive and caring towards all her teammates.

During the first two lacrosse seasons in BLS history, Bridgette served as one of the captains. Not only did she cheer us on during Martina’s workouts from hell, but always used humor to get us through tough situations. One of her favorite past times was making fun of the noises Genevieve Dougherty (II) made during lacrosse games. This game included mimicked impressions of screeches as well as critique about the lack of logic behind the comments made during the games. While laughing at Gen’s confusion, however, Bridgette still managed to score an average of 27 goals per game—an all time girls lacrosse record! Bridgette is a very dependable and caring person, and having her on the lacrosse team for the past two years was a blessing.

Never letting the Motherland down, Bridgette has taken the values learned growing up in Charlestown and applied them to everyday life. Whether she is getting subs from Toni Ann’s or driving around in Kenzie’s car (shotgun of course, as she has yet to get her license), Bridgette is always optimistic and outgoing. She works impossibly hard, setting a great example for her younger teammates. We shall miss you. Show UCONN how we like to do things in the Town. #townies

By Elizabeth Pardy, II
Contributing Writer

As you all may already know, last year was the beginning of something amazing at Boston Latin School (BLS) and even throughout Boston Public Schools (BPS); our very first lacrosse program. Last year, with a freezing first week of grueling try-outs, a group of girls (a majority of whom had never picked up a lacrosse stick before) kicked off the 2013 season... and it was pretty ugly. Our first game was against Lincoln-Sudbury, where we were killed. After weeks of timed runs, non-stop field drills and some awkward team bonding, however, the first ever girls’ lacrosse team at BLS ended the season with a record of 8-5. With the leadership of Charlestown’s own Tegan Leonard, goalie for Syracuse during its 1999 Eastern College Athletic Conference championship season, the team was able to become more skilled, faster and stronger as a whole.

After experiencing how difficult and intense last season was, some of us were skeptical of whether this season would be worthwhile; and it was. This year, there was nothing stopping us from going 100 percent the first two weeks of practice, and our coaches, Tegan Leonard and marathon runner Martina McPherson, went full throttle. Stick skills and an absolute ton of running were the main focuses of the two first weeks of practice. Even though we practiced hard, we still unfortunately lost our first game of the season to Notre Dame Academy. It was very discouraging to say the least. We were, however, already closer as a team than we were last season and definitely more prepared.

The girls’ lacrosse team has stars from every position. All Star center, Gen Dougherty (II), starts off every game by snatching the ball out of the air away from her opponent, making her infamous squeal, shocked that she actually won the draw. On the circle there are various girls that are always there to fight and booty-bump

other girls out of the way so that our team comes up with the ball. Some of these star middies include Katelyn Evans (I), Rowan Dinneen (III), Bryn O’Hara (III) and of course our fierce captains, fellow townies Kenzie Lane (I) and Bridgette Collier (I). Kenzie is always ready on the circle, using her insane speed to dangle the other team’s defense, easily getting at least one hat-trick per game. Bridgette shines in every position; however, she shows her skills the most in the midfield transitions, flying past girls using her one-handed cradle. On low attack we have multiple girls ready to aid our midfielders and stack up points against the other team. These attackers include top scorers and future Division 1 recruits, Emily Pardy (II), yet another fellow townie, and honorary townie Lauren Powell (LP) (IV), fellow townie and former defender Caroline Collier (IV), and former goalie Lauren Coughlin (Lew) (III). Among these attackers are seniors Liv Callanan (I) and Ellie McGonagale (I), always making themselves known, scoring every game: Liv by using her infamous crease roll and Ellie with her risky shovel shots.

And what would any good lacrosse team be without a tough



LACROSSE TEAM IN ACTION

defense, known on the team as the “DSquad”? For low defenders, we have another townie, Sophie Von Hunnius (I) aka ‘Rocky,’ known for being loud, tall, and for getting in girls’ faces. Also on the DSquad is myself, fellow townie Elizabeth Pardy, known for my love for making interceptions and constantly getting called for pushing. Kori Lazar (III) is by far the loudest defender, taking names and knocking girls (and herself) down. Other defenders are Liz Seero (V), Xiadi Zhai (V), Natalia Sifnugel (III) and newcomer Caroline Tevnan (IV), always prepared to do anything to stop the other team from charging at our goalie, Emma Curran (III). Emma can be heard from anywhere making sure everyone is doing what they’re supposed to do.

This team has become pretty well known in the Dual County League (DCL). By practicing intensely and learning to work as a team, we ended this season with a 10-3 season. Safe to say, we are all terrified for our first season next year as a varsity program and it is going to be hard losing 6 of our amazing seniors. Watching how we’ve improved from last season to this season, however, we are all ready to rock the DCL as the first

Swamboys to States

By the 2014 BLS Softball Team
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The class of 2014 is the first in Boston Latin School softball history to have three of its members join the team as sixies: Lauren O’Shea (I), Bridget Walsh (I) and Caitlyn Berry (I), with Paige Mulry (I) and Ashley Penella (I) joining the following year, leaving behind quite a legacy. Coming into their BLS careers, they joined a raw 10-10 program and helped lead the team to a Dual County League (DCL) championship in 2013, while continuing the seven-year state tournament streak.

This season was not out of the ordinary with a 12-7 record and yet another state tournament birth. With the departure of such great talent from the previous graduating class, Coach Holland fell into a deep depression thinking the softball team’s success was over. Then, when the first

game of the season arrived, Coach Holland stopped crying into his pillow because Paige “D-Sav” Mulry stepped up to the plate, hitting that nae nae and the ball routinely. With Caitlyn Berry, the one-footed

in the state tournament remained. Upon the return of the world travelers, Ashley “Princess” Penella and Bridget Walsh, the team secured their spot as one of the best in the DCL and the state.

Next season, Coach Holland may venture back to his corner to cry, but not because the team will be insufficient. With rising seniors Hilary Rocket (II), Kadi Rufo (II), Brenna Galvin (II) and Kate Casey (II), the team will remain at its peak. Many a tear, however, will be shed at the loss of the most well-rounded, hilarious group of girls BLS softball could ever have asked for. Three of the five will be taking their softball skills to the collegiate level—Lauren O’Shea to Bowdoin, Caitlyn Berry to Clarkson, and Paige Mulry to Providence—which is the most college softball players the program has produced in a graduating class. We wish them the best of luck in their futures and that they keep D-Swam in their hearts.



FIVE SOFTBALL MEMBERS IN THE SUN

SPORTS

Ready, All: Row

BY MICHELLE NG, I
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The spring of 2014 marks a season of firsts for the Boston Latin School girls' crew team. The first time we were forced to wield ice picks and physically fish out mini icebergs from around our docks during a particularly frigid March. The first time another team complimented our checkered unis non-sarcastically (we think). The first time every single rower beat her own 2k personal record. And the first time two boats—one Varsity 4 and one Varsity 8—are heading to Scholastic Nationals in early June.

Way back in January, we kicked the season off with a meeting to discuss a crucial coaching transition, because Shayne Rowan had stepped down as Head Coach and Carolyn Glandorf and Ellis C. Evans-Brown were joining the family. And despite far too much shameless Facebook creeping, we still did not know what to expect from the big introductions. The ambitious tone for the year, however, was immediately set when the coaches transformed each of our cautious ideas into a goal ten times more intense. So, finally, with aspiring objectives ranging from the individual (such as hitting a certain 2k split) to the team (such as sending a boat to nationals) rowers and coxswains alike threw themselves into making their dreams a reality.

It did not all happen at once. 2014

was definitely a building year for us, beginning with erg workouts, runs and circuits indoors and transitioning into hard pieces and technique out on the water. Gradually, everyone gained the strength and confidence to recognize that we have everything our competitors do (except professional chefs) and that we could win. A huge factor in this came from Carolyn's pre- and post-race strategizing ritual of "sittin' on sticks," when we realized just how much all of our hard work had paid off: races were tight, often with only a second or two separating boats at the finish line. We



CREW V4+ BOAT

learned to expect more from ourselves, be relaxed, but reckless, and trust the girls in our boat in order to earn the prized "DAAY-YUMM" of approval. In retrospect, Carolyn states, "The varsity rowing team did a great deal of improving over our season both personally and as a whole. The girls really bought into the competitive and challenging workout schedule I coached. This season is only a stepping stone to hopefully a strong competitive team in years to come."

Beyond performance improvements, the team has also become closer than ever before. Jilda Morrison (II) describes, "This season has been great for so many reasons. The team bonded together really well this year, and we worked together to become a lot faster." Likewise, Suzanna Yeung (II) adds, "Crew is like my second family." From Bertucci's dinners and pizza parties to nicknames like "Smelly" and "Sweaty" and paranormal feats of mind reading during competitive charades, the girls have showed a tremendous amount of spirit and love not only for the sport, but also for each other. The seniors leave this year confident that Wolfpack Crew is on an upswing and indescribably thankful to those involved for making our last season the best one we could have wished for. We know the team is in capable (albeit blistered) hands next year, and we can't wait to hear all about upcoming mishaps and adventures. The possibilities for the future are endless.

Spring Track

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On any day during the spring season, a swarm of students can be seen making the trek from Boston Latin School (BLS) to Clemente Field for a track practice. Rain or shine, sleet or snow, these athletes run workouts on the 400 meter track and surrounding Fenway area. From the freezing days in March, when the runners look more prepared for a snow storm than an outdoor practice, to the (albeit few) sweltering days toward the ends of the season, the resilience and commitment of the track team is astounding. The "warm up miles" or "laps" often griped about by other athletic teams are just a sampling of the daily practices the track team endures. And the workouts do not stop there. The same athletes can be found in the hallways after school doing conditioning or, in the case of the field athletes, in the weight room pumping iron with the best of the football and other off season teams.

Instructed by Coach Michael Meagher, well-known track official as well as coach to [the] track team, and field coach Stephanie Jeffers, the track team was destined to succeed this season.

Both coaches encouraged and coached each athlete to their full potential.

After a slow start filled with injuries, the track team was back and better than ever. The countless miles put in by the team, the hard work, and the dedication really showed. Both distance and sprinting had excellent seasons, with over 30 athletes qualifying for Dual County League (DCL) championships and some even qualifying for States, a true accomplishment to be proud of.

With few seniors on the 2014 spring track team, the team looks forward to a team of mostly returning athletes, including sprinting captains Kennedy Barnwell (II) and Kris Ule (III), distance runners Alanna O'Brien (II) and Alex Hsia (II), and field members Maria Gonzalez (II) and Clare Duckworth (II). With a team of so many underclassmen, there are definitely a few you should keep your eyes on. Destinee Wornum (IV) is one of the top sprinters on the team, even as an underclassman, racing in the 4x100 meter relay and the 100 meter dash. Aubrey Miller (IV) is already a fabulous hurdler and shows serious potential as a

sprinter in the 100 meter dash. Andrey Zvonar (IV) continues to improve while she excels in the one mile. With her combination of dedication and focus, Andrey has the potential to be really



TRACK MEMBERS RELAX AFTER A LONG MEET

great. Sarah Kiami (IV), who excelled from day one on the team even as a sixie, is now in ninth grade and still kicking butt in the two mile. She is definitely someone to watch out for.

Track and Field had a great season and looks forward to continuing its success into the 2015 season.

Sports Tidbits

>>> Patrick Fahy (I) and Patrick "Packy" Naughton (I) of the baseball team, pitched a no-hitter against Catholic Memorial high school (ranked 5th in the state at the time). The team beat them 5-0. Throughout the season Brian O'dowd (II) performed very well in both pitching and hitting, which contributed greatly to the team's 8 wins. >>> The crew team's four-person boat (with coxswain) and their first varsity eight-person boat (with coxswain) made it to scholastic nationals this

season. >>> The top scorers on the girls' lacrosse team this season are Ellie McGonagle (I), Kaitlyn Evans (I), Kenzie Lane (I), Gen Dougherty (II), Emily Pardy (IV) and Lauren Powell (IV). >>> The sailing team took 10th place at states. They came in 4th place out of 9 teams at the Massachusetts Bay League Championship race. >>> The softball team has made it to states for the second year in a row. Three girls this season hit with a bat-

ting average of over .500: Paige Mulry (I), Bridget Walsh (I), Lauren O'Shea (I). Those girls, along with Caitlyn Berry (I), are Dual County League All Stars. >>>This season, 30 kids on the track team went to the Dual County League Championship (DCL) meet. The 4x400 squad set a personal record at the meet this year with a time of 3:49. >>>Boys volleyball won their first game in multiple years against the John D. O'Bryant school this spring.

Senior Spotlight

Patrick Fahy



BY CONOR FREELEY, II
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Off in a Virginia farm on a warm summer night, a young horse was born in a stable. The farmer had never seen anything like it. Soon, the horse gods came to the stable and spoke of a prophecy. It was written that this young horse would come to dominate high school athletics, the school hallways, park drive, the halls of Boston Latin School and the realm of West Roxbury. And then, he galloped off into the sunset.

Soon, this small baby horse turned into a grown man horse, with a face mane challenged only by Dumbledore. He bucked his way to BLS in 2008, and became the valiant mustang we know today. This majestic equine is Patrick Joseph Fahy, and he has become the kindest and most loyal friend, boyfriend, teammate and classmate to any one at BLS who has had the pleasure of knowing him.

It was August of 2012, and I was a skinny sophomore quarterback, getting tackled left and right, when I first met Pat. The coach had put him with the quarterbacks because of his fabled career as a catcher, and neither of us had any idea what we were getting into. Soon enough, we taught each other the ropes, and when it was his time to shine, he was out on the field racking up numbers in rushing yards, interceptions and fumbles not seen since those days football was played with leather helmets. In the subsequent season, a tragic hoof injury would put this horse in the stable for the season, but in one game he managed to rack up enough yards to keep him as a league leader for more than half the season. Besides his athletic prowess on field, ice and diamond, Patrick is a tremendous person. All those days on the football field turned him into the older brother I never had. Anyone who knows him well knows that you can talk to him about anything, for any amount of time. As captain of the football team, the hockey team and the baseball team, he remained a shining beacon of hope, regardless of his injury. As a friend, and even mentor, he has always been there to help me, regardless of how long it has been since we last saw each other. If you have had the pleasure of meeting Pat in your time at BLS, you should be very happy. I know for a fact that he will bring the same voracity he had at BLS to Providence College in the next four years as our wild stallion becomes a tame racehorse (or the other way around). As Pat continues to pursue his dream of racing in the Kentucky Derby, I know that he will become a successful citizen, mentor and an even better friend.

Congratulations, Mike Skerrett!



You were born to be an editor.
Good job on the *Argo* this year!

*We hope next year is beyond
excellent.*

-Mom, Dad, Helen,
Claire, and Peter



Dear Matthew, you have grown up right in front of our eyes from a sweet little boy to a handsome hardworking young man.

We are very proud of you!
Love, Mom, Dad and Sidney

Abdelahad, Laura	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Gartner, Samantha	U of California at Santa Cruz	Manuel, Jobelle	Boston U	Scheele, Martin	Bennington C
Adgate, Sarah Anne	Merrimack C	Gatto, Benjamin	Johnson & Wales U (Providence)	Mar, Jessica	Tufts U	Schilling, Jasper	Boston U
Ahearn, Aidan	Rhode Island C	Gavin , Nya	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Marshall, Benjamin	Bridgewater State U	Schnitzer, Anne	Wellesley C
Alexander, Isabel	Harvard C	Gearin, Natalie	Temple U	Marshall, Breanna	Framingham State U	Searcy-Taylor, Alexis	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Antigua, Elvis	Norwich U	Genduso, Abigail	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Mazaeva, Luisa	MCPHS	Sergeant, Lucy	U of Pennsylvania
Antoine, Stephen	Framingham State U	Geronimo, Tianee	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	McCarren, Alyssa	Salve Regina U	Shea, Colleen	Providence C
Anuonyemere, Chiebuka	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Gibbons, Kelly	U of Rhode Island	McDonough, Mary	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Shen, John	Boston C
Argyros, Ariadne	U of Vermont	Gildea, Nicole	Bryn Mawr C	McGonagle, Gabrielle	Syracuse U	Shotorbani, Jessica Pauline	Emerson C
Arrendol, Antonio	New York U	Gillespie, Meghan	U of New England	McKenna, Deirdre	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Silverman , Rose	Smith C
Arthur, Gregory	Bridgewater State U	Givertz, Hannah	Northwestern U	McTavish, Saoirse	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Situ, Chris	Northeastern U
Ashorobi, Temitope	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Goldhaber, Arielle	U of Pittsburgh	Meehan, Joyce	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Skerrett, Michael	Harvard C
Avery, Molly	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Goodman, Talia	Hampshire C	Mendez, Ana	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Smith, Sarah Jane	Boston U
Awad, Adam	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Gove, Andrew	Drexel U	Milite, Audrey	American U	Song, Xin	Harvard C
Bah, Kadiatou Djindji	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Graham, Lorenz	Purdue U	Miller, Marina	U of Vermont	Styklunas, Grace	U of Virginia
Bahnam, Roy	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Grealish, Abigail	Worcester State U	Moccia, Conor	US Air Force	Sullivan, Edward	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Balayo, Chase	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Greeley, Hannah	Fitchburg State U	Moltz, Andrew	Northeastern U	Sullivan, Patrick	Massachusetts Maritime Academy
Barthelerny, Brenda	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Green, Joshua	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Monahan, James	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Sully, Kiyanna	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Bekele, Jonathan	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Grooms, Tyla	Bentley U	Monius, Hannah	C of Atlantic	Summa, Alicia D	Clark U
Berens, Caroline	Dartmouth C	Grubbs, Kenia	Eckerd C	Moreira, Fernanda	New York U	Sun, Sophia	Boston U
Berg, Althea	Eckerd C	Gudiel, Katherine	Boston U	Morris, Kaitlyn	Fitchburg State U	Sykes, Eunyque	Bucknell U
Berry, Caitlyn	Clarkson U	Harrington, Michaela	Georgetown U	Moses, Adetobi	Princeton U	Szulc, Erica	George Washington U
Blanchard, Sarah Katherine	U of Southern Maine	Hatzis, Sophia C	Endicott C	Moyes, Lucy	U of Rhode Island	Tan, Anson Long	Boston U
Booker, Sukhai	Howard U	Hawkins, John	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Mu, Michelle	Tufts U	Tan, Jielun	U of Michigan
Boone, Emerson	Boston C	Hernstrom-Hill, Madeline	Allegheny C	Mui, Stanley	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Tan, Lily	Boston U
Bouquet, Colette Ginie	Boston U	Hill, Nora	Colby C	Mulligan, Margaret	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Tan, Victoria	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
Brehane, Solomon	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Hines, Daniel	Berklee C of Music	Mulry, Paige Robicheau	Providence C	Tarantino, Mary	Florida Gulf Coast U
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Brown, Patrick	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Hu, Edward H	Brown U	Nazaire, Keynessa	Suffolk U	Timmons, Michael	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Browne, Hannah	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Huang, Christina	Boston U	Newell, Deirdre	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Tobar Lemus, German	Bentley U
Burger, Rachel C	U of Hartford	Huang, Jiaming	Brandeis U	Ng, Michelle	Harvard C	Tobierre, Courtney T	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Busard, Andrew	U of Hartford	Huang, Jinhe	Boston U	Ng, Wesley	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Toussaint, Elijah	New England Institute of Tech
Byrne, William Sanborn	U of Wisconsin, Madison	Huang, Kevin	Boston U	Nguyen, Han	Boston U	Tran, John	Suffolk U
Caffrey Maffei, Lucy	Temple U	Huang, Wendy	Brandeis U	Nguyen, Jason	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Tran, My Ngan	Suffolk U
Cahill, Victoria	Boston U	Huynh, George	Yale U	Nguyen, Kimberly	Northeastern U	Tran, Steven L	Boston U
Callanan, Olivia	U of Maine	Imafidon, Lisa	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Nguyen, Oanh	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Tran, Uyen Du	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Camaso, Karl	Michael Peco Wentworth Institute of Tech	Inglessis, Sofia	Princeton U	Nguyen, Phillip P	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Treon, Christian	Pepperdine U
Carney, Robert	Northeastern U	Jean Philippe, Dinah	Boston C	Nguyen, Rosita	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Trombetta, Elisa	Boston U
Carpino, Matthew	Massachusetts C of Liberal Arts	Jean-Pierre, Ali	Boston C	Nguyen, Thao Phuong	Fitchburg State U	Truong, Dawn	Harvard C
Caruso, Marcella	Trinity C Dublin	Jenkins, Grace	Rice U	Nickerson, Olivia	Marymount Manhattan C	Tsang, Henry	Harvard C
Casey, Shannon L	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Johnson-Benmosche, Joshua	U of South Carolina	Novicki, Rachael Kay	Salve Regina U	Turner, Zoe	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth
Cassesso, Alex Michael	Bentley U	Jones, Antoine Dean	Northeastern U	O'Brien, Delia	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Ty, Ammany S	U of Massachusetts, Boston
Castro, Washawn	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Jones, Tatiana Juanita	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	O'Brien, Grace	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Van Even, Annalise	Temple U
Celestin, Jeanai	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Kaplan, Abigail L	George Washington U	O'Brien, Hannah	Saint Michael's C	Velez-Cross, Lissette	Emerson C
Chan, Ashlie K.	Mount Ida C	Kazi, Sharzil	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	O'Brien, Trevor	Northeastern U	Vien, Thomas	Boston U
Chan, Kevin	Boston U	Kearney, Audrey	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	O'Donnell, Martin	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Violich, Ava	Harvard C
Chan, Nikki	Massachusetts C of Art and Design	Kelly, Alexis	U of Vermont	O'Grady, Patrick	Bentley U	Violich, Francesca	Harvard C
Chen, Jason	Cornell U	Kelly, Ryan	Gannon U	O'Reilly, Holly	U of San Diego	Vitagliano, Michaela	Yale U
Chen, Rachel	Boston U	Kennedy, Nora	Saint Anselm C	O'Shea, Ciara Ann	U of Connecticut	Vo, Phung	Boston U
Chen, Yingfeng	Boston U	Kennelly, Alexandra Klein	Tulane U	O'Shea, Lauren	Bowdoin C	Von den Benken, Erika	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Cheng, Yang	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Kerr, Katherine	Boston C	O'Toole, John	US Marine Corps	Von Hunnius, Sophia	U of California at Santa Barbara
Cherry, Anthony	Brown U	Kim, Alexander D	Harvard C	Obi, Chester	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Voong, Philip	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Chiang, Matthew	Georgetown U	Komyati, Claire	Washington U in St. Louis	Omoroghomwan, Elis	St. John's U - Queens Campus	Walsh, Bridget	Boston U
Chin, Jenny	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Kopp, Connor	U of Maine	Ortiz, Ericson	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Wang, Xingye	Wellesley C
Chiu, Monica Fung	Boston U	Kriesberg, Michael	State U of New York at Albany	Osborn, William	Oberlin C	Ward, Owen	Boston U
Chung, Olivia	Harvard C	Kumahia, Deladem	Suffolk U	Paolucci, Alessandra	Worcester Polytech Institute	Ward, Slater	Reed C
Cole, Elise	Gordon C	Kumasaka, Kyle	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Parham, Michael	Canterbury School	Wei, Yi	New York U
Colleran, Julia Grace	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Kupczak, Jessica	Boston U	Parsons, Lian	Temple U	Wilk, Julie Alice	Plymouth State U
Collier, Bridgette	U of Connecticut	Lakes, Olivia	Bridgewater State U	Paulemon, Wilna	Tufts U	Wilson, Daniel Alexander	Boston U
Collins, Nora	Earlham C	Lane, Mackenzie	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Paulino, Doribel	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Wong, Aaron	Boston U
Connolly, Jennifer	U of Wisconsin, Milwaukee	Lew, Meagan	Duke U	Peguero, Jorelis	Stonehill C	Wong, Connie	U of Pennsylvania
Cowden, Parker J	Fordham U	Li, Eric J	C of Holy Cross	Penella, Ashley	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Wong, Elizabeth	Boston U
Creighton, Emer	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Li, Eric L	Boston U	Pepito, Janelle Plazo	U of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Wong, John	Boston U
Cruz, Kenneth S	Brown U	Li, Ivy	Northeastern U	Perez, Jessica	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Wong, Stanley	Rensselaer Polytech Institute
Curley, Terrance	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Li, Man Ting	Boston U	Perez, Michelle J	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Woods, John	Bridgewater State U
Cusack, Geneva	Denison U	Liang, GuoQuon	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Peterson, Ageena Sherell	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Worthy, Thomas	United States Military Academy
D'Amico, Sebastian	Bentley U	Liang, Weigang	Cornell U	Pham, Peter	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Wu, Sally	Boston U
DeLaura, Isabel	Harvard C	Liao, Matthew J	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Pham, Phuong Nghi	Amherst C	Wynn, Amanda	Hobart and William Smith Cs
Delosh, Andrew	Wentworth Institute of Tech	Lieu, Kevin	U of Nevada, Las Vegas	Pham, Trung	Boston U	Xiao, Alice	Harvard C
Deng, Justin	Boston U	Lin, Jitong	Boston U	Phan, Khai	Boston U	Xie, Connie	MCPHS
DeSalvo, Anthony	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Lin, Kevin	Boston C	Pollis, Randy	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Xu, Meiling	Boston U
DiCarlo, Emily	Ithaca C	Liu, Gaoyuan	Boston C	Portillo, Nora	U of Massachusetts, Boston	Xue, Wenzhe	Harvard C
Dinneen, Zoe	Dartmouth C	Liu, Joanna	Boston U	Powers III, Stephen Patrick	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Yang, Amy	Carnegie Mellon U
DiPrizio, Francesca	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Liu, Meisui	Brandeis U	Price, Aidan	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Yen, Lauren Kaylie	Boston C
Donovan, Matthew	U of Massachusetts, Lowell	Liu, Xin	Boston U	Qiu, Daniel	Boston U	Yetman, Patrick	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Dzindo, Neira	MCPHS	Liu-Trason, George	Massachusetts Institute of Tech	Quan, Andrew	Boston U	Yu, Jennifer	Tufts U
Ellis, Emma	Oberlin C	Loke, Tracy	MCPHS	Rainey-Slavick, Cole	Bard C	Yu, Maggie	Boston U
Evans, Katelyn	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Lomuscio, Elizabeth	Saint Anselm C	Rans, Monique	Boston U	Zahopoulos, Minas	Northeastern U
Fahy, Brendan	Boston U	Long, Jennifer	Boston U	Rateau, Lindsey	Boston U	Zhang, Kevin	U of Massachusetts, Amherst
Fahy, Patrick	Providence C	Lopez, Daniela	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Rathmell, Cara S	United States Naval Academy	Zhang, Raymond	Bentley U
Fang, Shirley	Wesleyan U	Lui, Wendy	Boston U	Reed, Tiana	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Zhao, Qianqian	Boston U
Fang, Shu Yi	C of Holy Cross	Lydon, Jillian	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Regan, Kayla	Barnard C	Zheng, Christine	Harvard C
Faris, Ramona	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Magner, Daisy Egan	U of South Carolina	Reinhold, Isabel	Concordia U - Montreal	Zhong, David	U of Massachusetts, Lowell
Fils-Aime, Shaina	Boston U	Mai, Weiquan	MCPHS	Remmes, Jenna	Framingham State U	Zhou, Yutong	New York U
Fiorenzo, Natalie	Fordham U	Malita, Agllaia	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Rice, Mariel	Sarah Lawrence C	Zhu, Jake Jinglin	Cornell U
Fisher, Bryce	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Malone, Sarah	Mt. Ida C	Ridge Creamer, Isabel	Temple U	Zhu, Kevin	Harvard C
Fitzgerald, Karly	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Mangilog, Brian Roel	Harvard C	Rioles, Pamela	U of Wisconsin, Madison	Zuluaga Duran, Alexandra	Suffolk U
Flynn, Harrison	U of Massachusetts, Amherst	Mann, Grace	Berklee C of Music	Roberts, Daniel Joseph	Salem State U		
Fu, Richard	Boston U	Mansaray, Jeneba	Framingham State U	Ryan, Niamh M	Stonehill C		
Garside, Courtney	Xavier U	Mansouri, Sirine	Boston C	Sabogal, Natalia	U of Massachusetts, Boston		

FAREWELLS

President Kenneth Cruz



One of the biggest takeaways from my Boston Latin School career was a quote from Leo Tolstoy written on an easel one day that read, “Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.” That is what I believe helped shaped my own and many others’ experiences here. Yes, a lot of us came from schools where we were the best and the brightest, but when we walked through the main foyer, everything changed. It was the first spark of something in each and every one of us; it was willpower. Surviving six (or four) years of BLS is a lot like trying to ride a bike. Your mom or dad is pushing you from behind, cheering you on every step of the way, and then they let go. It’s up to your own capabilities to either keep going, stop, crash into something or fall over. BLS has placed our own skills to the test, not our mom’s or dad’s, but our own.

I kept riding this bicycle into the unknown. Along the way there were new friends and classmates riding alongside me. Nothing at BLS has kept me more stable than the friends I’ve

made or the connections I’ve felt with others. These are the kinds of people who’ll always have your back. They’re there for you when you succeed, and also, they’re the shoulder to cry on (in our case to complain on) when BLS is testing the last strain of your wit. I can’t begin to thank all the guidance counselors, teachers, administrators and other staff for all the work they have done to let us grow. You’ve made our lives as students easier sometimes and more difficult at other times, but it’s all part of growing up and overcoming obstacles.

So, to the sixie out there who’s just starting to figure things out, take these few words of advice. Do what you love and try new things, regardless of what other people might think or say about you. Don’t attempt to save the world; leave it to the juniors—add something else to their list of grievances. Although you may not realize this, don’t forget to thank the person who makes your lunch, drives you to school or is always there trying to make sure you’re on

your way home safely, because they matter. Looking back on everything, I can’t even imagine the number of times someone older than me at BLS has given me advice, and I didn’t listen. Well, now is your time to make something of yourselves and shape your own future, with or without my advice.

What BLS taught me above all is that there are no “re-do’s” in life, nor any bumpers on the side to make sure you bowl a strike. BLS is about falling down, getting up and living to tell the tale to your breakfast table buddies the next morning. BLS is about turning something in on turnitin.com at 11:59 like a BOSS. BLS is about flying into your seat before the tardy bell rings. BLS is about walking around for 15 minutes on a “bathroom break.” BLS is about being creative with your procrastination. BLS is about changing who you truly are.

Farewell comrades,
Kenneth S. Cruz
Class of 2014

Vice President Brian Mangilog



Class of 2014: it has been a long road. We might have lost a few, but we finally made it. To those who aren’t quite here yet: make the best of your time because you’ll be Class I soon enough. If my sixie self were to look at me now, he would probably say that I haven’t grown and that a fruit nickname is weird. But who knew that that sixie who went straight home everyday and barely talked would turn into someone who stayed in the halls after school to see what there was to do? We have all changed in ways we would never have thought possible within these walls of Boston Latin School. Whether these ways stem from the school itself or the people we have met, they have all been changes for the better.

If there is one thing that I have learned by roaming these halls, it’s that there are opportunities knocking all around. BLS has given us amazing tools to reach our goals and find our niches, but the student-run organizations have given us the chance to

expand our horizons. I can often find a different club or flier for some event. Although they’re not always to my interest, I see them doing their thing and I respect that because at some point or another, someone else will find them and become really involved. Even outside of clubs, our school holds such a diverse student body that it is always possible to meet someone with similar interests. These people will end up being the ones to ease the seven hours we have had to endure five days a week. Even though there are those among us who absolutely dreaded entering 78 Avenue Louis Pasteur each day, the friends and opportunities there are what kept us coming. It is truly a privilege to attend this school, so take advantage of every opportunity that you can while you are still young.

Latin School has made me tough and taught me the true meaning of hard work, along with the true meaning of spirit. You can do nothing and sulk in the work, but once you embrace the idea of mind over mat-

ter, the energy will overwhelm any circumstance. I’m going to miss sharing this energy with my classmates and putting it to use for this school. I’m going to miss being a part of the Wolfpack, a bunch of city kids ready to take on any other school (even if it is two hours away). I’m going to miss the hype behind Free Pizza Friday. I’m going to miss casually “dropping that Nae Nae” anywhere and everywhere in the school. But most of all, I’m going to miss all of the fun that the class of 2014 brought me.

To my class: it has been an honor serving as your vice president and getting to know you as a friend. Thank you for all of your support, not only this year, but throughout high school. I could never have imagined that this is what my senior year would be like. The world out there is scary, but I’m now confident our class can take on anything. In the words of Jermaine Cole, “We ain’t picture perfect, but we worth the picture still.” I wish you all the best, and stay cool.

Treasurer Joshua Johnson



I remember my first day of sixie year like it was yesterday. I remember walking into Mr. DC’s classroom at 7:29, probably weighing more than I do now, wearing ugly brown, plaid shorts and an oversized green shirt and thinking that I was the man. Then, I remember walking through the hallway after homeroom was over and being among upperclassmen who were twice my size and seemed like they had gone through puberty before I was born... and let’s just say it’s a good thing I was already wearing brown pants because I suddenly found myself scared out of my mind.

I have come a long way since then. We have all come a long way since then. We have all grown into responsible, smart and, luckily, much better looking people. Our journey through BLS has brought us a lot closer than we ever thought we’d get; there’s no way any student at BLS can get through it alone. Because of that fact, we will carry a special bond with each other for the rest of our lives. That is one thing that

we can look back at and thank BLS for.

It has been an honor to be your class treasurer. In the beginning of the year, I was immediately faced with the challenge of recovering over two thousand dollars from last year’s losses. I am proud to say that, within the first month, I, along with the rest of the officers, figured out a way to bring us back in the clear. Ever since then, we have held successful fundraisers and made wise purchases that have continued to help grow our bank account and kept us in the clear, even though we did almost accidentally donate over five thousand dollars to the Boston Latin School Association.

There are so many other people I would like to thank for making this great year possible. I would first like to thank the administration for not turning down all of our ideas and the faculty that dealt with us as well. I would like to thank all of my classmates for keeping their claws at bay as we made difficult decisions throughout the year. Last, but

certainly not least, I would like to thank Kenneth, Brian, Allie and, of course, Gio for being the best team anyone could ever ask for.

To Gio: you taught me so much this year and have been the perfect role model. It is so clear that you do so much for us and care so deeply about all your students. No one in the world could have done a better job than you. I will never forget you and will always think back on this time and remember you as the kind, selfless and hardworking man that you are.

Congratulations to all of my classmates. I can’t believe we have finally done it! I hope you can all look back on this time 10, 20, even 50 years from now. Remember that, even though it wasn’t easy and we struggled (some of us even felt tortured), we would not be who we are today if it wasn’t for these times and the relationships and memories we’ve made these past six years. Good luck to all of you in the future. I know everyone is going on to do great things.

FAREWELLS

Valedictorian Harry Xue



How do you measure, measure six years at Boston Latin School? In daylights? In sunsets? In midnights? In cups of coffee? In shameless references to the musical *Rent*? In embarrassing moments due to no one understanding said shameless references? Can you tell that I am frantically writing this an hour before it's due? Kids, the lesson here is: don't procrastinate.

In all seriousness though, my six years at BLS can definitely be measured in all the amazing people I've met here. In fact, I totally would have written a farewell consisting entirely of shout-outs if it weren't for the strict 550 word limit. From Dr. Neary, who taught me that success totally depends on how hard you work, to Mr. Kearns, who taught me that success totally depends on how well you can "sell it," I am definitely leaving BLS with mixed feelings, in more ways than one. Also, to the class of 2014, you are the smartest/funniest kindest/most talented/craziest group of people that I have ever met. I love you all. Just remember

that, if you ever cruise by my homeless self in your brand new Lamborghini.

There are a few people I'd like to thank in particular. I'd like to thank Kevin Zhu for being my life coach and platonic lover. Fortunately, the best bromance of 2014 will continue next year! Thank you, Jasper Schilling, for being my devoted sax partner (yes, you read that correctly) all these six years. Thank you, Mr. Pitts for your hilarious stories and Mr. Bilodeau for being an all-around saint. Finally, I'd like to thank my parents. Thanks, Mom, for your scrumptious hugs and thanks, Dad, for putting up with my refusal to get out of bed every morning. I love you guys.

For the underclassmen that will have the distinct pleasure of returning to BLS next year, I have two pieces of advice. First, did you know that there's a super secret bathroom in the walkway next to the upper gym? It's usually locked, but if you ever get the chance, use it. It will change your life forever, I promise. Second, don't take

yourself so seriously all the time. I had this, shall we say, friend who never left the house on the weekend once in his six years at BLS and spent all his time studying. Don't be like that friend; lighten up a little. Even if it means making a complete fool of yourself in the senior issue of the *Argo*. Whoops.

I'm not usually a very emotional guy, but as I walked through the halls on our last day, long after everyone else had left, I could not help but feel a sense of overwhelming sadness. Don't tell my mom, but I even teared up a little. No, I wasn't sad about leaving behind the excellent bathrooms (to the guy with the Lamborghini, invest in thicker toilet paper and some dividers for the boys' bathrooms!), the exquisite free lunches or the superb central air conditioning. I was sad about having to say goodbye to the people at BLS—all the people who were a part of what constitutes a third of my life thus far. So how would I sum up the last six years in a single word?

How about love?

Salutatorian Henry Tsang



Up until Thursday of Senior Week, I was glad to leave BLS. I was glad to leave behind the mountains of homework, the late nights and early mornings and the hackneyed routine of wake up-school-extracurricular-homework-sleep. I was glad to leave behind the long hallways of purple lockers, wooden doors and dusty windows. But on Thursday morning, as I was sitting in AP Bio class reading the senior portraits that my friends had given me, I started to tear up. In that moment, I realized that I didn't want to leave, that I wanted to stay, that I wanted a few more days to be together with my friends before we parted ways for who-knows-how-long. Class of 2014, we've come a long way. All of us can say that the trek through BLS has been arduous and frustrating, but none of us can say that it hasn't been rewarding. BLS has changed all of us for the better, even if we don't realize (or don't want to realize) it now. It seems like just yesterday that I was frantically running around the third floor, look-

ing for a staircase up to room 412A. In the years leading up to our senior year, all of us have grown physically, mentally and emotionally. BLS has been our catalyst for growth—not only our school, but our second home. Our journey through BLS has bonded us together more strongly than anything else ever could. All of us are incredibly special, and I'm so happy that I got the chance to get to know you all. This is the end of our high school career, but not the end of our journey. Like Robert Frost said, we still have "miles to go before [we] sleep." Hopefully, we'll cross paths in the future. I'd like to thank everyone at BLS for helping me get through these past six years. Thank you to all of the faculty for your dedication to and passion for teaching, but especially to Ms. Garvey and Mr. Sanford for teaching me how to write; Ms. Leung and Mr. Bilodeau for teaching me to love math; Ms. Markiewicz and Mr. Balicki for fostering my love for chemistry; and Mr. Smith, Ms. Hausey and Ms. Fol-

ey for encouraging and supporting my passion for the classics. Ms. Hausey, thank you for being my personal mentor and life coach for the past five years. You've taught me everything, from the uses of the genitive to how to be a better human being. I can't thank you enough.

Underclassmen, I have two pieces of advice for you. First, don't be afraid to try new things. There are so many opportunities available at BLS, but it's up to you to take advantage of them. Take initiative and advocate for yourself. Secondly, and more importantly, cherish and make the most of your friendships here at BLS. As I look back on my time here, I now realize that my friends were the ones who made it all worth it. They were the ones who inspired and motivated me to get up every morning at 6:30 A.M. to come to BLS. I only wish that I had more time to spend with them before I go.

Goodbye, BLS. It's been a wild ride. Thank you for truly being my alma mater.

Secretary Allie Kennelly



As I sit here trying to recall some great memory from our last six years together, some inspirational message to send you all off with, the only things that stand out in my mind are the two-week relationships in seventh grade, Juicy velour zip-ups in eighth, the FX dances in ninth, the scandals of tenth, the Twitter fights of eleventh that kept us all up late at night when we should have been doing homework and Free Pizza Friday from twelfth.

If it were up to me, I would spend these next 500 words rehashing such things because truth be told, those are the moments that defined the class of 2014. With each new curse, with each new fight and complaint, 375 individuals became one, and there is no other class that I would ever be so proud to be secretary of, so thank you for that.

In our six years at Boston Latin School, it always struck me as strange that congratulations were often followed by some sort of warning. At our first sixie assembly, we were re-

minded of the unlikelihood that all 400 plus of us would make it out of BLS alive, or at all. Five years later, when we sat in that same room at the start of our senior year, a class of only 375, we were warned once again not to do anything stupid, because five years would have been a waste if we couldn't finish up our sixth. And even two weeks ago, as we sat unified in the assembly hall for one last time, cheers and excitement were met with the somber reminder that walking across the stage at graduation was a privilege, not a right.


For six years, we never questioned this; it was just brushed off as the Boston Latin way,

and maybe it was these traditions that carried all of us through our six years together. But now that this time is over, now that each and every one of us has made it across that stage and lifted our tassels to the left side of our graduation caps, I want to say to each of you and only you: congratulations. No warnings, no strings attached.

You all did it! Four years of Latin, a research paper, Precalculus... 7,560 hours have all been conquered by you. And so before the daunting fear of our futures hits and warnings sound of the realities of the world we are now entering, I ask you to look upon yourselves and your classmates and recognize your intelligence, your hard work and everything you have put into these past six years. Remember this moment forever because you will never be as excited for new beginnings as you are right now. You'll never be so ready for new challenges as you are right now. You'll never again stand in this eclipse between youth and adulthood with all the exuberance of the past 18 years fueling your desire to exceed every one of your goals.

To the class of 2014, I say thank you, for the memories, both good and bad. There are no other 375 individuals with whom I would rather have spent the past six years. And one last time, let me say again, congratulations!

Congratulations Kenia Grubbs!



2014

Still the prettiest and the smartest!



Daddy's precious gift from God!

WELL DONE.....

"I AM SO BLESSED to have raised a daughter with such inner focus, drive, tenacity and composure. Today, "reap your harvest" and at the same time prepare for the next chapter. "

With Love,

Mom, JR and Daniel



Holly,

Congratulations on a job well done! We are so very proud of you. Good luck in college- always follow your dreams & never give up!

**Love,
Mum, Dad, Warren, and Kerrie**

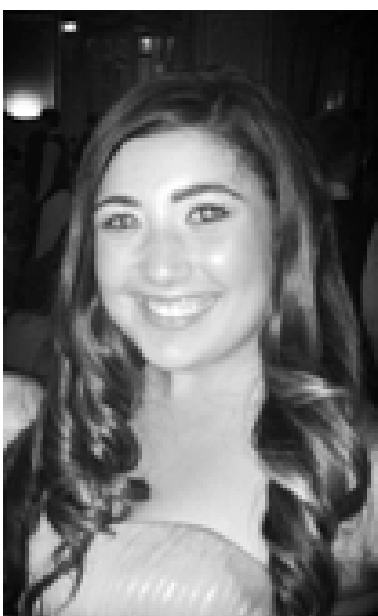


6 years of hard work says job well done.

Congratulations

Much Love, Baba & Mummy

Congratulations Franki!



It seems like only yesterday that you were a sixie waiting for the bus and carrying an enormous school bag. Through the years we have watched you grow into a beautiful, spirited and determined young woman! You have inspired all of us with your hard work and dedication. The hours of studying, and the hours of homework have prepared you for today and each day that follows. Embrace and enjoy every second of this milestone in your life! Today is the beginning of a new chapter. Remember to take all the lessons, the good and the bad, along with the memories and friendships you made during your time at BLS. We are so proud of you and all that you have accomplished! We look forward to watching you continue to reach for the stars! We love you so much!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Angela, Victor and Candie

Congratulations to the Class of 2014
Carpe Diem

Jennifer Yu



By **CONNIE WONG, I**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It’s a waddling penguin! It’s a duck! No, it’s Jennifer trying to walk in heels! Everyone who knows Jennifer “Jen/Jen-Jen” Yu loves her adorably awkward personality and (lack of) physical coordination. When I started hanging out with Jen in ninth grade, I wondered why all of her friends called her the “Awkward Duck.” It didn’t take me long to realize. Jen is a comedian without knowing it. She always knows how to say the most random, irrelevant things with impeccable timing. With her commentary, a conversation is never dull; you will surely burst into laughter after hearing the ridiculousness of her ideas, as she stands aside completely clueless, wondering what everyone’s laughing at. Jen’s personality isn’t the only thing that makes her special. She is one of the

most driven, hard-working, and caring people I know. Her infamous dark circles and double-eye bags demonstrate how willing she is to sacrifice precious sleep for her schoolwork and extracurriculars. Jen is heavily involved in several humanitarian clubs at BLS, including Red Cross, China Care, Invisible Children, and Child Corps. Seeing her hold leadership positions in these clubs for several years, I know that she would do anything to help her clubs grow and succeed. In addition to volunteering in school, Jen volunteers outside of school at BLSA and at the Museum of Fine Arts as a Visitor Services Representative. To top it off, she has a part-time job at T.J. Maxx. It’s no wonder she gets no sleep! While Jen takes school and

extracurriculars seriously, she also knows how to enjoy herself. It’s not unlikely that you’ll see her checking out the latest food crazes on Yelp and sneaking in some online shopping while she’s at it. Jen is an expert foodie, always seeking to try new restaurants, ranging from Korean to Italian to Cuban. She is also quite the fashionista, developing her unique, trendy sense of style with inspiration from her favorite bloggers. What she lacks in physical coordination, she makes up for in color coordination. I can always count on her to give me foolproof fashion advice. After being friends with Jen for so many years, it will be hard to say goodbye, but I have no doubt that she will continue to share her loving personality at Tufts, where she will sport the Jumbo spirit with pride.

Ashley Penella



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Once upon a time in a faraway land, there was a young princess named Ashley Marie Penella, the tragically born second child (after the beloved Greg Penella). The young princess now rules over “God’s country,” more commonly known as Dorchester. Some may know her as one of the survivors of the “Baha blues” epidemic, some may know her as “AshP,” “Ashface” or even “The Ash-Slinging Slasher,” but if you still can’t identify the royalty in the flesh, you can regularly hear her signature yell followed by “I’m a senior.” For most people, AshP is just your average girl, but we can assure you that this is far from the truth. For example, she lacks enough evidence to

believe that whales exist (so if you ever want a good laugh ask her about it). Furthermore, you can ask her about her opinion on The Illuminati, but don’t speak about it too loudly because they are in fact coming for her. Ashley had been star of the Junior Varsity softball team for three years, hitting bombs and defeating communism. She has even crafted a language distinct from Varsity that only the most skilled JV players can comprehend. Alas, this year Ashley was pulled from the clutches of her favorite JV coach and sent to the far side of Daisy Field, to the heart of the Thunderdome: VSquad. As Ashley struggles to find the balance between work, school and softball, she finds it hard to spend time with

her dear, amazing friends. I mean how could you blame her; between working as a hostess at Blasi’s, a snack bar attendee, and an aid to those at the Leahy Holloran Community Center, Ash still finds the time to chill on the mean streets of Dorchester with SchwaY and Juicy J. Through it all, we have found it in our hearts to love this thottie even though we had been taught to love no hotties. We’re really gonna miss you next year (even though we claim to hate you). You’re such a great person to be around and we can’t imagine you not being here next year but, hey, we’ll get over it. We love you Ash, so please don’t forget us and we know you’ll do great things at UMass.

Abbie Kaplan



By **CAMILLE DESISTO, II**
& **ISABELLE DESISTO, II**
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Oh, Abbie. Camille: I first met Abbie the summer before her Bsie year during swim pre-season, and we quickly bonded over our loves for swim and food. From her speedy kicking to motivational words of wisdom and encouragement, Abbie is an amazing teammate. She brings the fun to lane six and is the best 500 counter around. Abbie is a talented and hardworking swimmer at BLS and her club JCC team. After practice, we pile into the Jamaica Plain carpool and the games begin (literally). Favorites of mine include “what will Abbie wear tomorrow?” and “what is Abbie craving today?” There is rarely a moment when no one is laughing and there is never a moment of silence. Abbie’s stories have kept me captivated through years of practices and years of 39 bus rides. She is the first one I go to with a problem or an exciting bit of

news, and I can count on her sound advice. Our Jamaica Plain adventures are always exciting, and I am convinced that we keep several local eateries in business. Snow storms cannot keep us from going to JP Licks, and the fact that we only have nickels does not keep us from buying three bags of Chex Mix at once. Just as she brings laughter to swim meets and car rides, Abbie brings life and passion to everything she does. She stands up for what she believes in and will not back down. Her work to empower women and encourage social justice with the Ladies Collective has inspired many, including myself. Her strong will and true excitement for life are sure to take her far. George Washington University is lucky to have such an intelligent and well-rounded person; DC will not know what hit them. Isabelle: Where do I begin with Abbie? There’s just so much to say.

For those of you who know her, you know what I mean. For those of you who don’t, you’d probably recognize her walking down the hall as that girl with the big smile and fabulous fashion sense. But there’s so much more to Abbie than what meets the eye. There’s the Abbie that can convince a 39 bus driver to obey her every command, keeping me from being tardy to school many a day. There’s the Abbie that calls me up in rain or shine (or blizzard) to go out for dinner. There’s the Abbie that I can talk to all night and never run out of things to say. There’s the Abbie that makes a ten minute carpool an adventure. And there are all of those other things that make up Abbie that can’t even be put into words. When you read this at graduation, Abbie, see if you can find me. I’ll try not to cry as hard as I did when I read your speech at the swim team senior meet.

Tori Cahill



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It is no rumor that Tori was indeed named after her older sister’s doll. The only difference is that they made the doll’s first name her middle name and the doll’s middle name her first name. That is where we get the beautiful name Victoria Ashley Cahill, but remove the “Vic” and “Ashley Cahill” and you get “Tori,” the name that she is most commonly and affectionately known as. Tori is one of the most remarkable human beings in the whole world. If you hadn’t had the pleasure of meeting her, your life is lacking the bright ray of happiness that radiates off of her. Her personality, which won best of 2014, can light up an entire room or, in Tori’s case, the whole boathouse. She’s the one walking down the hallway with the gorgeous blue eyes, making the silliest faces to all of her pals or chatting someone’s ear off. Don’t even get me started on her idea about a new concept concerning the word “egg.” Tori will also always laugh at your jokes; she’ll even throw in some snorts for

good measure. If Tori had to define her life from ages five to eleven with one word, it would be skorts. Her whole sixie year consisted of ripped hoodies and cargo pants. Her signature neon yellow beanie, countless pairs of sweatpants, ugly flip-flops and last, but not least, her purple, checkered Boston Latin School crew unisuit are further testaments to her impeccable fashion sense. Tori is one of the two much loved 2013-2014 captains of the BLS girls’ crew team. With a “sub-8 minute 2k” (aka 2000 meters of sweat, tears and sometimes blood), she is one of the strongest members of the team. She also happens to be one of the most spirited; as BLS boats pull off the docks, she is always the first one to begin belting out (though not always in tune) the BLS fight song. And even though she has tried her hardest to make the team motto “legs feed the wolf” (Miracle reference), it has yet to take on. The boathouse, lovingly dubbed “The Shack,” has become

Tori’s stage for exhibiting her stellar dance moves. Two of her favorite hits are “Talk Dirty to Me” and “Drop It Like It’s Hot,” and let me tell you, she most certainly drops it like it’s hot! The numerous number of photos of her, which have become viral among team members, very clearly demonstrate Tori’s incredible photogenicity. The crew team will definitely not be the same without Tori next year, but she has made this year the best any rower could ask for. Even as a freshman, Tori will surely rule the campus of Boston University. The first big decision of her future in college: “Do I live near the good food? Or, because there will be a lot of (male) athletes nearby, the athletic center? Or, the logical one, near all my classes?” Tori’s infectious laugh, spirit and dedication will, without a doubt, be tremendously missed at BLS. The days have seemed noticeably worse in her absence, but that gal deserves to graduate. WE LOVE YOU TORTOR!!!

SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS

Isabel Alexander



By CAROLINE BERENS, I
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Frizzy hair—these are the first two words that come to mind when I think of Isabel Alexander. After all, it’s that enormous mass of brown curls that I have seen every time I looked to my side for the past six years as she and I avoided sketchy Tedeschi cashiers, stealthily escaped from track practice and watched back-to-back episodes of Intervention.

To be honest, back in elementary school I thought Isabel was kind of strange. As a kindergartener, she always wore bright floral pants, ate lox or curry for lunch and often proclaimed her love for reptiles. But in sixth grade I came to learn that Isabel, despite her braces-induced lisp, unusual jewelry and rudeness to me over emails, was actually pretty awesome. Once, as our English teacher was complimenting a book we both hated, Isabel and I exchanged glances and raised our eyebrows in mutual disgust, solidifying our friendship forever.

Most people know Isabel as “the smart girl,” but I know better

than to trust her intellect. For instance, I had to end our two-person book club in sixth grade because Isabel, the “moderator,” couldn’t keep up with the reading. Even now, she sometimes goes in the wrong direction when walking to the 39 bus stop near school. And every time Isabel exclaims that something is a “great idea!,” you better sprint the other way, or you will find yourself being mistaken for a burglar, having a mildly allergic reaction to boba tea, or unable to look your crush in the eye ever again.

Okay, enough teasing—Isabel is actually one of the most talented people I’ve ever met. Whether it be achieving top grades, experimenting with saxophone melodies, embarking on an ambitious art project, or matching the speed of her taller rowing counterparts, Isabel is always busy being amazing and successful, inspiring everyone around

her (especially me) to reach his or her full potential. While Isabel has various skills, her greatest strength is simply being a great friend. If you

go to her with a problem, she will move heaven and earth to help you, giving you her undivided attention as she analyzes the situation. (If you’re lucky, she may even make you one of her famous pros/cons lists!) If you’re feeling distressed or upset, Isabel’s lively, irrelevant comments will magically cheer you up. Most importantly, she will always genuinely laugh at your jokes, even if they’re bad.

I have been lucky to find someone who understands and shares my weird sense of humor the way Isabel does. There is no one with whom I would rather have endured Ms. Rodriguez’s Spanish class, overseen twenty rambunctious kids at the YMCA, or slept next to on sweltering nights in Spain. Isabel, thank you for your endless supply of love, laughs, band-aids and gum. I will miss you deeply next year, but I know you will do great at Harvard, as long as you don’t ask everyone their Myers-Briggs personality type the minute you meet them. Love you forever, Frizzabel.

Michelle Mu



By HENRY TSANG, I
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You might have seen her in the hallways—no wait, scratch that—you might have HEARD her in the hallways. With her loud, piercing voice, she probably interrupted your peaceful conversation with your friends. If I had a dollar for every time I heard Michelle’s voice from all the way across the school, I’m pretty sure I could pay off the national debt and solve world hunger at the same time. It’s amazing how all of the windows in the school are still intact. I know my eardrums aren’t.

You’re probably asking, “she must have important things to say if she’s so loud, right?” Well, let me just say that “important” is a relative term. Almost all of my conversations with Michelle begin and end with her dog, Charlie, her lovable and goofy beagle. When she’s not talking about Charlie, she’s talking about Pokémon. And when she’s not talking about Pokémon, she’s talking about food (the only conversation topic of which I approve). Michelle and I have a long history with food.

It all started when we were sophomores. After working hard (or hardly working?) on the Seevak Website Competition every week, we went to get food. It soon became a tradition to go to a different restaurant every Friday, and we became amateur foodies. We brought along friends and our weekly dinner trips became fun food gatherings, full of laughter. They were probably the only things that saved me from succumbing to stress throughout junior and senior year.

When Michelle’s not indulging her stomach, she’s indulging her heart. Did you know that she volunteers every weekend at the MSPCA? Personally, I couldn’t stand waking up early on a Sunday to clean dog poop for hours on end, so I don’t know how she does it. She also treks to the Parker Hill library to tutor young students every week. Helping pets and little kids? Michelle Mu is officially a saint. #SaintStatus

Even with all of her volunteering duties, Michelle still finds time

to be a dedicated member of the Junior Classical League and Invisible Children. Not to mention that she’s also a violin prodigy. All jokes aside, though, Michelle is one of the nicest, funniest, most patient, and most compassionate people you’ll ever meet. She’s always looking for gifts to buy for her friends and teachers. She’s always telling jokes and making people laugh. She’s always comforting and supporting her friends. I can’t even count the number of times Michelle has sat down with me and listened to my rants about school and life. If it weren’t for Michelle, I would never have made it through BLS. Her humor is the best remedy for my stress and probably the only thing I like better than sleep. (And if you know me, I really like sleep).

Knowing that we’ll go our separate ways in the fall, I’m a little depressed. But I’m thankful that I had the time to get to know her in the first place. Congratulations, Michelle. I know you’ll kill it at Tufts. Let’s meet up for food sometime.

Caroline Berens



By ISABEL ALEXANDER, I
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On April 3, 1996, the staff at Brigham and Women’s Hospital didn’t know what hit ‘em—literally. Coined “Longest Baby of the Month,” the tough-skinned, raven-haired, 20.5-inch-long Caroline “Uncle Walter” Berens entered the world ready to battle whatever came her way. Eighteen years and many fistfights later, Caroline has achieved great heights, whether it be plowing through the Charles River in her rowing scull or continuing her commendable organization skills as she prepares accessories for her Dartmouth dorm. But while her achievements are remarkable, the real question is not what she does, but rather how she does it—and after seven years of steadfast friendship, I’m still not sure I know the answer.

Although I first met Caroline in kindergarten, when she routinely won gold stars for “best helper” and “friendliest smile,” our friendship didn’t truly begin until the awkward, prepubescent times of sixth grade. I was blunt and practical, she was naïve and bubbly, but we immediately hit it off over philosophical discussions

and our mutual love for children. The fact that Caroline not only tolerated, but embraced my quirkiness at the time, speaks volumes about her capacity as a friend—her open-mindedness, amazing sense of duty, and belief that being “nice” (her most-frequently-used word) trumps all.

Before I be nice in return, I just want to mention that this girl once wrote “Ohla” on a Spanish test, asked if New Orleans was a state, and used pumice (yes, the rock you rub on dry feet) to treat a facial sunburn. Taking the phrase YOLO a bit too literally, Caroline spends her time darting in front of ambulances, swimming in shark-infested waters, and, of course, engaging in pyromaniac activity (in eighth grade, Caroline inquisitively dipped a sticky note into a burning flame, threw that sticky note into a wastebasket full of paper, and proceeded to extinguish the fiery blaze in her bathtub).

Despite her affinity for life-threatening activities, Caroline is one of the smartest people I know. Yes, she gets good grades and completes her assignments with

astounding efficiency—but more importantly, her unique blend of steadfast logic and emotional intuition makes her the go-to therapist in virtually any situation. Whether it’s reassuring her teammates that success is not defined by boat line-ups, providing a listening ear for distressed classmates, or explicitly telling me that my plans will end up backfiring, Caroline is always there to provide maternal, brutally honest reassurance.

When I first met Caroline, she was a shy, teary-eyed kindergartener picky about the consistency of her sandwich and fearful of disappointing teachers. Over a decade later, these truths still hold. But I’ve had the honor of watching this girl mature beautifully into an independent, driven, curious young woman. I love you, Caroline, and I could not be more confident in your abilities as you embark on the next chapter of your life. I know you will strut the Dartmouth campus in your pastel cardigans and mismatched socks, missing buses and graciously giving money to homeless people. Just don’t start any fires, okay?

Best Memory at BLS

“it’s all over” chant	Baha	DCL championship (vball),	Facing History	Kit Kilbourn	MTL 2014	and sucking the helium out of it
“its all over” chant	baha	Asia Night	Facing History Eastern Europe	History 10th grade	MY ROW	Steven, where’s me phooooone?
“Just give me two minutes”	BAHA ‘14	December 3rd, 2013	Trip 2013	Knowing Kelly	Nassau, Bahamas	Stickers from Ms. Barich
“Want me to tell Mr. Mulhem?”	BAHA 14	Declaiming “The Grand Ad-	Facing Histroy DC trip	Last 5 days of school in Junior	none, this place was horrible	summer before junior year
10th Grade Basketball Team	BAHA 2014!	ventures of Abraham Lincoln”	failing my research paper <3	year to be absent	North Quincy after dark	swime flu vacation
10th grade history with Kit	BAHA!!!!	Doing drag on Halloween	finding people in Alpha	Last day in Ludlow	north quincy after dark	Swine Flu Week
Kilbourn	Bahamas	Dr. Carroll the younger’s class	first night of the ski trip	Last day of school	not doing my junior research	Swine Flu week (unexpected
10th grade JV basketball	BAHAMAS, Christmas Break	Dr. Carroll’s 9th grade latin class	fleeing from the boys at Ar-	listening to Jake Zhu’s Mickey	paper	BREAK!!)
2014 state wrestling tournament	of Senior Year	Eastern Europe	nold’s	Mouse laugh	Only Class with Dr. Carroll	Swine week 2009
4 years of Italian with the best	Band in 8th grade (so much	Eastern Europe	football	LQing :3	the Elder	TAG Show 2013 and 2014
people ever	fun!)	Eastern Europe	Football Senior Night	making a few lifetime friends	outdoor track	TAG show 2013 and 2014 ;)
7th grade reading, defining the	Baseball bus ride #FTB	Eastern Europe	France 2012, Bertucci’s	making a fool of myself in the fi-	PAX 2014	taking my shirt off at the hyp-
word “aint” when a certain	Baseball bus ride home from	Eastern Europe	France trip in tenth grade/ writ-	nal Calculus music video project	PAX 2014 with Thao Nguyen	notist
teacher said I couldn’t use it	Westford	Eastern Europe	ing the banner	making friends	Promposal 2014	Temí’s new years tum up
8th Grade	beach trip	Eastern Europe	Free pizza friday (about time!)	Making friends. Mrs. Stone	Right now it’s getting out of	That day I had 6 studies
A’s on one minute projects	Being elected captain of BLS	Eastern Europe 2013	Freshman JCL State convention	giving me oatmeal the first day	BLS :D	the box with cupcake brownies
African Safari	Sailing	Eastern Europe 2014	Friday, December 13	we met	Room 707	The Facing Eastern Europe trip
Annalise’s party in 10th grade	Being in Mr. Akeson’s class	Eastern Europe 2014	Fuego Fridous	Making it to state finals	sailing team	The Italian Class Family
any Freeman field trip	Being Waldo in Asian Night	eastern europe 2014	getting a banner	Making new friends	SAILING!!!	The penthouse
AP Art	Senior Dance	Eastern Europe 2014	Getting accepted into BLS	May 23rd, 2014	Sawyer house field trip	the process leading up to Asian
AP Calc AB	Berklee 5 week of 2013	eastern europe 2014	getting into college	Meeting amazing people	Seevak competition 2010-2011	Night 2014
AP Calc B/C	Biology	Eastern Europe 2014	getting into college	meeting great people and sixie	Senior Spring Music 2014	the sketchy corner at the Gal-
Approbation with distinction x3	BLS ASIAN NIGHT 2014	Eastern Europe 2014	Getting into college & being	year gym class	SENIOR WEEK	leria <3
art class with Connie Wong	Bringing sack to BLS	Eastern Europe 2014	asked to prom	meeting my best friends, East-	senior week	Top
Art class with Sophia Sun	British Pow Wow Tuesdays	Eastern Europe and Greece	getting straight As for the first	em Europe, Ludlow	Senior Year	Trip to France/ London
ASIA Night	Bumbling through MTL	Eastern Europe trip, Asian	time in senior year	Money Music Video with Kim-	Senior Year	Using the super secret bath-
Asia Night 2014!	Bus back from JCL States ‘13	Night	Gios	berly and Rosie	Senior Year	room above the gym
Asia Night 2014!	Chemistry with Mr. Gay	Ecuador	giving cupcakes to my crush on	Montreal	Senior year	walking in on my first day and
Asian Night 2014	China Trip 2013	Eighth grade	Valentine’s Day	Montreal	Senior year	immediately meeting all these
Asian Night 2014	China Trip, 2011	ELA 12 section 02 (love all you	Going out there and performing	Montreal 2014	Senior year football	amazing friendly people
Asian Night 2014	Christmas vacation of senior	guys <3)	Going to Bertucci’s before the	Montreal New Years	six straight years of Asian Night	When Thomas Vien gave me a
Asian Night 2014	year	Emailing Mr. Simoneau with	Christmas concert Senior year	Montreal w/ the Boys	ski trip 2014	balloon for my birthday
Asian Night 2014	colleens bunnies	his picture as the email propic	going to China, and Building	Mr. Akeson’s daily stories that	sneaking into the lower gym last	winning DCL champs
Asian Night 2014	college acceptance	Enviro class	Motar	had nothing to do with AP Biol-	week of eighth grade with like	winning Northeast District row-
Asian night 2014 and the late	coming out as a lesbian and	Enviro w/ Mr. Gay	Halloween costumes	ogy...they saved my junior year	100 other kids	ing championships
practices, getting closer to ev-	dating some cute girls	Environmental Science 11th	hanging out with friends	Mr. Brittos class	Sophomore year	winning the DCL
eryone, Junior prom	Conal Lyndh	grade	hangouts after the BLS manga	Mr. Gibbons Breakdancing	Spain 2013	Winning the first golf match in
Asian night 2014 rehearsals	Connecting with my best friend	Environmental Science 11th	club	Mr. Mummalo giving us the	Spain junior year	15 years
AZNNIGHT 2014	Contradicting Mr. Concannon	grade	having money once upon a	answers to our Italian final, and	Spain Trip 2013	Wolfettes Sleepover 2014
Back stairwell on my bday	(legit got censured for finding	Espana 2013	time	Temí’s NYE party	Spain with Nya, Alex, Josh, and	wrecking ball at regionals
Baha	a typo)	Espana 2013	Hockey/Baseball team	Ms. Stone shouting “Penis”	Carpino	wrecking ball at regionals
Baha	crew	every day on the 36 bus	Holly’s Party	right as Mr. Galego walked by	spirit day rally	yearly choir photo with my
Baha	crew and fencing	Facebook fights on the 2014	Italian all 4 years	our bio class	Starting the it’s all over chant	best friends where I’m always
Baha	DC Facing trip	page	Jazz band trips to NYC	MTL 2014	stealing a giant alumni balloon	in the middle

You’ve Made Us Proud Daniel Hines



You have always embraced life, family and friendship; to this end you have successfully complete BLS. With much happiness and icnredible excitement we congratulate you on this chapter in your life. As you enter the next at Berklee College of Music, we expect the same success as well as to see you reach your desire of making music that will impact the world and influence others with your talent. Embrace the future with as much love and joy that you have provided us!

Love,
Mom, Dad and David

Congratulations Mike



Good Luck at
U of Albany
Love Mom, Dad and
Josh

SENIORS

Worst Memory at BLS

4/8/2010
10th grade
10th grade because chemistry
10th grade ds d whole
10th grade history with A
certain teacher
10th grade Latin
11th Grade
11th grade: Jan. 27
2 years of Latin with a certain
teacher
3 spring rolls
4 years of French
7th grade writing in cluster A
7th-12th grade
8th grade as a whole
9th grade Latin
A certain Chem teacher
A certain Geometry teacher.
Enough said.
A certain Latin teacher
A certain party in 10th grade
A certain Spanish teacher
A certain WH teacher
A.P. Biology
Advanced Agebra 2
advanced geometry
Agi stealing my lunch table
at the end of Junior year or
the SATs
all of 9th grade
almost crying in Miller Latin
when I failed my first final &
having to sing 'Rudolph the
Red Nose Reindeer' in latin
through my tears.
Almost failing Dr. Neary's
class and almost going to
summer school for it..
Any mental breakdown dur-
ing the flashlight project
anything junior year
AP Bio Tests
AP Chemistry

AP Chemistry
AP Enviro
AP Latin
AP Latin and AP Chemistry
APCHEM and AP LATIN
DAYS
awkward walk to the nurse
with Balicki
being asked "do you take ap
econ" every day
Being held as a Senior
Being on crutches 3 times
Bell's Palsy
BLS wifi
breakdowns
Brookline party
Bsie Latin junior year
C-onAkesonAP Bio outlines
Chemistry 10th grade
Chemistry, Urban Plan
chemistry/anything math
related
Christain's almost party
contracting swine flu
Cops coming to trading post
Courtney slamming a locker
in my face 8th grade
crying in math class
dating a "rapper"
dealing with all your drama
Declamation
Declamation...All of them!
doing my physics project dur-
ing junior year
ECG leaving "/ sad day, sad
day
English 12 Movie Mash-up
English 9+ 11
enviro with a certain teacher
Every Holy Name dance ever
Every single AP chem test
Everyday with a certain latin
teacher
everything about 10th grade

and Chem with Balicki
everything about ELA 12
Ex-boyfriend
failing 8th grade
Failing adv geometry for 2
terms
Failing Advanced Algebra 2
for Freshman year
failing AP Chemistry and
then telling my mom that I
wanted to major in it after she
saw my report card
Failing research paper
Failing Spanish Class
Falling off from the black
community
Falling off the 39 sixie year
falling up the stairs and hav-
ing everybody laugh at me
Farting in gym class
finding out there was an
APUSH final
Finding out today that I'm
being held
first day as a bz
First half of senior year
first kiss then dumped by that
person in the same day
fish bowls with a certain
teacher
fishbowls
French
French & Latin
Freshman year
Freshmen year
Geometry w/a certain teacher
Geometry with a certain
teacher, March 2012
Geting rejected for prom
getting a concussion and
breaking my arm sixie year
getting caught making out in
the music wing
Getting caught pooping in the

faculty bathroom by Mr. Pitts
getting curved pretty badly
getting detention for not an-
swering one question on a hw.
Getting locked in the 3rd floor
bathroom stall
getting my first F
Getting my first F on a quiz
getting my first zero on a test
after being falsely accused of
cheating
getting pantsed in front of
Cheerleaders
Getting rejected for prom
getting rejected from my
dream school
Getting screamed at by Ms.
Lewis
getting trapped in the bath-
room and having to crawl out
getting yelled at by Mr. Hari-
tos and Mr. Akeson
Going to BLS at 6:15 the last
two days of school
Going to school
Grades 7-11
Greek
gym+health w/a certain gym
teacher for 3 years
Haritos calling me out for
'cheating' when I didn't real-
ize it wasn't an open NB quiz
Having a full bladder in Ms.
Elliot's Class
Having to stay afterschool for
3 hours to rehearse my 3 lines
in a French play in 8th grade
I surprisingly can't tell you
Italian
Junior year
Kidney stones
Last night in Prague
Latin 4
Latin freshman year

Latin Summer School
leaving Southie
Listening to Aaron Wong's
jokes in homeroom
Losing my shoes at the arbs
Maestro Slivera leaving
March 2014
Mr. Chavero's Latin final
Mr. O'Brien leaving BLS
Ms. Holm thinking I lied about
my book for the APUSH final
My first C on my report card
sixie year
My first D in 8th grade
my first declamation
My god-awful haircut from
7th-10th grade
New Year's Eve (kinda)
new years junior year
not being able to find an open
bathroom
Outdoor Flag Day was can-
celled
Parents yelling at me cuz of..
the vines
passing out in chem aftersniff-
ing chemicals
people not standing up dur-
ing the pledge of allegiance
Physics class senior year
Pre-calc w/ a certain teacher
precalc with a certain teacher
psychics with a certain teacher
Rain on sixie field day
realizing that I had to do this
for six more years while in
7th grade
Rejected from all my top col-
leges
Season 3 Episode 9
second night of the ski trip
Seeing Alex in the Bahamas
seeing my junior year sched-
ule

senior fall
senior year
seniors waiting in the lunch
lines
september 22nd, 2012
Sixie Year
Sleeping in a bathtub
sneezing while diving
Sophomore year
Soractic Seminars
Spanish 3
stats w/ a certain teacher
Swine flu... not fun
Taking Physics
Thanksgiving 2013
The arsonist
the college process
the entirety of English senior
year
the everlasting torture
the rough patches with James
the toxins section in chemistry
Thursday, December 12
touching that bush #yikes
tripping up stairs
US History II
waking up in the morning
When a certain Latin teacher
made us speak in Latin
when he didn't talk to me for
a month
When I cut my afro
When Jake Zhu doesn't do his
Mickey Mouse laugh
When Maestro left orchestra
When someone bullied me
when the Boston bombing
happened while we were in
Eastern Europe
World History 1
writing my senior research
paper
writing the research paper
cringes



“It’s good
to be the
Queen.”

— Jill Lydon

Congrats!
Dad, Mom, & Chris

Least Useful Thing I’ve Learned at BLS:

“Do now means DO NOW!”	chemistry	GUIDE	Latin	latin	physics	stats
“Garbage in, garbage out”	Chemistry	GUIDE	Latin	Latin	Physics	Stats
“Quo usque tandem abutere Catilina patientia nostra”	Chemistry	GUIDE	Latin	Latin	physics	stats
a, ae, ae, am, a	chemistry with Balicki	GUIDE	Latin	Latin	Physics	stats
$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$	Chinese Comp	GUIDE, AP Bio, anything a certain bio teacher said	LATIN	Latin	physics	That circle crap in pre-calc, quadratic formula
Adobe Photoshop	College prep course	GUIDE, dipoles	Latin	Latin	physics	That Gem of a teachers version of AP writing
agricola, agricolae	college search	GUIDE, Latin	Latin	Latin	physics	That R means recitation
Agricola, Agricolae...	Cornell notes	History	Latin	Latin	Physics	that ww1 was America’s singiest war
AK’s 69 at Jewish camp	Creole	How	Latin	Latin	physics. all of it.	the bowel movements of some president in the US History textbook
Algebra based physics	creole	how to blend in	Latin	LATIN	poetry	the dress code
Antarctica is the opposite of the arctic	Creole instead of	how to draw margins	LATIN	Latin	Pre calc	The Great Diseases
any math	French	how to get the P	Latin	Latin	Pre-Calc	The history of dead white men
anything and everything in AP Lit	derivatives, calculus	How to make a rubberband chain	Latin	Latin	Pre-Cal	the Mean Value theorem
Anything concerning Seamus Heaney	DIDLS	how to procrastinate	Latin	Latin	Pre-calc	the thousands of useless details in the APUSH textbook.
Anything learned by note memorization	Doing busywork	how to put up and down chairs without touching the dirty, dried up gum	Latin	Latin	Pre-calc, Algebra I, Algebra II	theater
AP	Don’t vote for Nixon	how to read	Latin	LATIN	precalc	There are 251 squares on the ceiling of the auditorium
AP Stats	economics	How to tie my shoe, s/o to Vlad	Latin	Latin and Italian	precalc	timing naps for exactly 43 minutes
AP stats	electron configurations	How to twirl a pencil	Latin	latin declensions	precalc	TPCASTT and DIDLS
APUSH	Euler’s Method	how to write a research paper	Latin	Life isn’t fair	precalc	trigonometry
Art	Every bit of Chiebuka lingo	Humanities	Latin	literally everything	precalc	Twitch plays pokemon
Band	every pointless rule	Humanities	Latin	Literature	precalc	Unit Circle
Bio 2	Every single history class taken	I wanna say Latin...but I’m gonna go with Enviro (I honestly don’t think I learned anything new)	Latin	math	precalc	unit circle
BLS traditions	everything	better somewhere else	Latin	MATH CLASS	precalc	US History
BLS Mission Statement	everything	intergration	LATIN	mathematical proofs	precalc	US History (Yes, I admit to disliking APUSH)
British literature	Everything is NOT random	than tardy	Latin	maths (plural) (all of them)	Precalculus	VTS
Calculus	Fathers and Sons	Latin	latin	matrices	Puella, Puellae f.	washer method
calculus	French	Latin	Latin	matrices and the canterbury tales	R studio ... sorry Sim	what an LG/LB is
Calculus	geometry	Latin	Latin	myth	Regular Economics	
Calculus	Geometry	Latin	Latin	nos coitum sordidum	Responding to a bell	
Calculus	Geometry and Precalculus	Latin	Latin	maneamus	scansion	
Chem	Geometry proofs	Latin	Latin	Not economics	Scansion	
Chemistry	Geometry proofs	Latin	Latin	Nothing- this will all come to use eventually	science	
CHEMISTRY	Greek	Latin	latin	parabolas	Shakespeare	
Chemistry	Greek	latin	Latin	physics	sine, cosine, tangent,	
	GUIDE	Latin	Latin	physics	unit circle	
	GUIDE	Latin	Latin	Physics	slope fields	
					Slope fields	
					Spanish	
					Statistics	

Carissima Isabel,
Felix veniens aetatis de amantem familiam
ab MCMXCVI !

In other words,
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inglay amilyfay incesay 1996!



**From Crayons to College,
Congratulations Victoria!**



**With a Boat-Full of Love and Pride,
Mom, Dad & Patricia
xoxoxo**

SENIORS

Most Useful Thing I’ve Learned at BLS

5 paragraph essay	Fake it till you make it	How to BS and get a better grade than if you actually try	how to make wine in my basement	How to write a 12 page paper w/out reading the book	Mr. Akeson’s Survival hints	stay true to your friends
7-9PM=Prime Instagram time	FOPO	how to BS eloquently	How to memorize 30 words in 30 minutes	How to write a 14-page paper in one night	Mr. Akeson’s survival skills at BLS	submitting papers at the last moment
A.P. Writing with Ms. Barich	fopo	How to BS EVERYTHING	how to multitask	how to write a 5 page paper in under an hour	Mrs. Stuppards History Class	successful procrastination
Advocating for myself	Get Best results from least effort	how to bs everything	How to not read a book and still write a B+ paper on it	how to write a paper	Multi-tasking, procrastinating, Declamation, Annotated Bibliography	Tenure is more important than ability
Always try your best	grades don’t define intelligence	How to BS literally anything	How to not try and do well	How to write a paper in 10 minutes	music theory	The difference between work that needs to be done, and work that needs to be done well.
Anything that Dr. Carroll the younger taught me	Grammar rules in 7th grade writing	how to BS my assignments	How to pass AP stats in a week	how to write an essay in 45 minutes	N/A	the ice is really heavy to-night, thanks Pierre
AP Economics	Green paint shades skin tones	How to BS my way through everything	How to pass by BSing everything	How to write an essay in one night	networking	the quadratic formula
AP Writing	Health class	How to BS my way to victory	How to power walk	how to write an essay in under 15 minutes	No comment	the rules of cards against humanity
AP writing w/ Barich	How to Advocate for yourself	how to BS papers	how to procrastinate	how to write, how to BS, everything in facing	no toilet paper? Agenda Book	the struggle is real
ART	how to assimilate into different groups	How to BS well	how to procrastinate & do good	I am capable of finishing work despite my terrible procrastination	Nothing	think critically
Being outgoing	how to be a Dot Rat	how to cheat	How to properly BS an entire paper	Photoshop in Ms. Liu’s Chinese comp class	organization	Time management
Bio	How to be a professional procrastinator	How to deal with bad teachers	How to properly cite APA style and Real data.	if you are good looking, or tall, or smell good, you can get with any girl	people don’t change	time management
Biology 2	how to be constructively outspoken	How to deal with people	How to properly cite	independence	perfection is rarely achieved or necessary	time management
BLS ain’t loyal	How to be fake	How to denounce someone like Cicero does it	Thanks Dr. Liu	it is all worth it in the end	Photocopying	Time management for a billion things
BLS rules are made to be broken	How to be independent	how to do a research paper	How to sign up for the library	It’s BLS, not BLT	Sanford’s research paper skills	trust-in myself and others, and how to BS
BS	I hate	How to do any kind of assignment in one day	how to skip without getting caught	just be yourself	shmoop can explain better than the teacher	Urban plan, economics
BS essay	How to BLS	how to eat cheezits in stats class without getting caught	how to sleep in class without getting caught	Kallipyge means she of the beautiful butt	Simplicity is key	US History
BS-ing everything	how to bs	How to eat fast	how to sleep while keeping your head up	Latin grammar	Sleeping with a book under your pillow makes you smarter.	veiga’s life lessons
BSing papers	How to BS	how to fake it until you make it	how to succeed	Life ain’t fair	Spanish	Verbose and eloquent diction
Calculus	How to BS	how to fix an umbrella	How to suck up to teachers	life lessons from Dr. Carroll the younger	Spanish	walk to your right
Chemistry, but rather from Breaking Bad	how to bs	How to get essays from friends	How to surrender to authority	Love no hotties	Sparknotes r ur friend	Ways to remember the amendments courtesy of Ms. Eliot
dealing with hard times and moving on from it	How to BS	How to hit that nae nae	How to survive and BS when needed	make new friends but keep the old	Spontaneously procuring homework from thin air	What I love to do
Declamation	how to BS	how to infuse an orange	how to turn a 2 pg essay into a 10 pg one	making a resume	Stats	Why? Because evolution wide ruled notebooks are great for doodling
Dialectic Journal	how to BS	How to kiss a**	How to use a calculator	McQuade’s trig unit circle		work smart not hard
Don’t mess with Butch	how to BS	How to lie and forge signatures	how to work smart, not hard			Writing
don’t spend too much time worrying about the future	how to bs a research paper	how to live without sleep				writing a lot about nothing
Dr. Carroll’s rules of life	how to BS an essay and still get an A	how to make friends				writing a paper in one night
Econ						
economics						
Enjoy life- Thanks Dr. Carroll the Younger						
Enviro, How to make wine						
Facing History						


Christian,


We are so proud of you!
We love you so much!
Congratulations!!

Love,
Your Family

CONGRATULATIONS PACKY ON YOUR GRADUATION!! WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!

LOTS OF LOVE,
MOM, DAD, JAKE AND
LIAM





Congratulations Lian!

With love from Mom, Dad,
and William

“We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better.”

- JK Rowling

FIRST DAY OF FIRST GRADE

WE ADORA NORA!

Congratulations from
your family-
Mom, Dad, Michael
and Brendan

KARLMICHAEL, CONGRATULATIONS!!

You have achieved, yet again, another milestone in your young life. I am so proud of you. You gave us great joy and happiness. We hope that you keep up your excellent attitude towards studying.

I hope you can maintain your hard work to reach your ultimate goal... completing you college degree.

All of this hard work will help you and better equip you to make good career decisions and fulfill your aspirations in life.

Congratulations my son!!

Your Proud Dad

SENIORS

I Had a Secret Crush on...

2016	Brian	Eddie Wang	Julie Wilk	Matt Chiang	mon Taieb, Jonathan	Carney
2016	Brian M.	eden, minas, bryce	Kaitlyn Morris	Matt Donovan	Bekele	Reuben Gifford
@chesnutsroasted	Brian Mangilog	fisher	Kate Swain -Smith	Meghan Clougherty,	Mr. Spezzano	Richard Fu
#oomf	Brian Mangilog	Emerson Boone	Kayla	Natalia Sifnugel	Mr. Veiga	Ross Garrity
A Certain LG	Brian Mangilog, Jamie	Emilio VC	Kelly Gibbons	Michaela Clark	Mr.Rinaldi, Andrew	Sally Wu
Abby Genduso	Monahan	Eric Li	Kelly Gibbons	Mikayla O'Dowd	Busard	Sebastian D'Amico
Abby Genduso “/ and	Brian Mangilog, Kevin	Erica Szulc	Kelly Oibbons, Mikayla	Mikayla O'Dowd, Na-	Ms. Bowmon	Sebastian D'amico
Maddie	Zhu	everyone	Odowd, Abby Guduso	talia Sifnugel	Ms. Ferreira	Sebastian D’Amico,
Abby Grealish	Brian Mangilog, Martin	everyone and no one	Kenneth Cruz, Daniel	Mike Purtell	Ms. Gomez	Owne Stutts, Eddie Sul-
Agi Malita	Scheele	Fedir Teplyuk	Hines, Jamie Monahan	Minas	Ms. Leung	livan
Aidan Price	brian o'dowd	Francis DiMento	Kyle Kumasaka	Minas	Ms. Leung	sirine mansouri
Alessandra Paolucci	Caleb Hannon	Frank Wei	Lauren Yen	Minas Zahopoulos <3,	Ms. Walshak	so many girls (but that
Alex Kim	Carly heffernan	Grace Styklunas	Lauren Yen	Reuben Gifford, Sebas-	My 3rd cousin	was dead obvious)
Alex Zuluaga	Casey Fang	Greg Arthur	LD	tian Heiser	myself ;)	Some Sophomore
Alice Xiao	Casey Fang	Greg Arthur	Lee Chen’s Mexican	Mindy Wu :P #shame-	Myself...psh.	someone but don’t
Allie Marino	Celestine He	Gus Viveiros	and Chinese food	lessplug	Nana Swaqqin	know their name
Allie Marino	Chase Balayo	Gus Viveiros/pknuekle	LHOOQ	mr akeson	Natalia Sabogal	stephen powers
Allie Marino	Chessie	Hannah G.	Liam Harrow	Mr. Flynn	Natalie Fiorenzo	Stephen Powers and
Amanda Wynn	Chewy	Harrison Flynn	Lily Tan	Mr. Galego	Natalie Gearin	Packy Naughton
Amy Le	Chris Situ	Harrison Flynn	Liv Callahan	Mr. Galego and Brian	Nathan Hermida’s	Sully
Amy, Emma, Katie,	Christain Treon	Hilary Rockett & Mad-	Lizzy Walshak <3	Mangilog	voice	Susan Woods #townies
Julia, Mikayla, Hot 8th	Christian	elina Tran	Lorenz	Mr. Gay	Niamh Ryan	T.V. Show characters
grader, Hot Wheels	Cole	Ivanna Lin	Lorenz the Graham	Mr. Gay	No one	(e.g. Chandler, Jeff,
Andreas Kaplan	Cole	Ivanna Lin	Cracker	Mr. Gay	no one, y’all are annoy-	Phil, Damon)
Andrew Busard	Cole Rainey-Slavick	Ivanna Lin	Louis Beers	Mr. Gay	ing...	Teddy Fitzgerald
Andrew Busard, Jack	Cole Rainey-Slavick,	Ivy Li	Louis Delano	Mr. Gay	Obama	Thao Nguyen
O’Toole, Brian Man-	Robert Carney, Cillian	Jack O’Toole	Luisa Mazaera	Mr. Gay	Owen Woodcock	The class of 2011
gilog	Clinton, Mr. Doss, Mr.	Jack O’toole+Phil	Maggie Mulligan	Mr. Gay	Packy Naughton/Will	Thomas Worthy
andrew deiosh	Long	Nguyen	Maggie Mulligan...not	Mr. Gay	McMahon	Thomas Worthy
Andrew Delush	Cole Rainy Slavick	Jake French and Dun-	so secretive	Mr. Gay	Pat Fahy	too many girls to name
Angus- the junior red	Cythia	can McGaff	MARCO POLIO	Mr. Gay	Pat O’ Grady, Kevin	V.O.R.
head	Dan O’Leary, Mikey	James W.	Mariel Rice	Mr. Gay, Tino	Chen, and Sean O’	vampire kitties
Asia 4 ALEXANDER	Doyle, Griffin Li	Jenna Remmes	Martin Scheele’s hair	Mr. Gibbons	Keefe	Violich twins
<3	Daniel Qiu	Jennifer Long	Mary Jane	Mr. Long!	Pat O’Grady	Vivian Herbert
Ava Violich (not so se-	doss the boss	Jessica K	Mather	Mr. Maneikis	Pat O’Grady	Waniel Dilson
cret)	Dr.Neary	Jiaming Huang	Mather	Mr. Mulhern	Phillip Nguyen, Mike	Waniel Dilson
Ben Chen	Duncan McGaff (not	Jimmy O’Leary	Mather Hoyt	Mr. Osowiecki	Parham, Adam Te-	Washawn Castro
Ben Chen	so secret) James Chow,	Jimmy O’Leary	Matt Chiang	Mr. Rinaldi	wodrose, Alex the Se-	Weigang
Ben Marshall and Ran-	Jimmy White	Joe Murphy	Matt Chiang	Mr. Rinaldi	nior from 2 years ago	Wendy Huang
dy Pollis	Duncan Mcgaff, Minas,	John Wong	Matt Chiang	Mr. Rinaldi	with the ponytail <3	Will (class of 2012)
Brenda Barthelemy	Terrance Curly	John Wong	Matt Chiang	Mr. Simoneau	Rana Faris	Zachary Louissaint
Brendan MaGuire	Eddie Sullivan	Julia Gangemi	Matt Chiang	Mr. Simoneau, Solo-	Randy Pollis, Robert	Zoe Dinneen



Congratulations
to the
“Cutest Gal Pals”
of the Class of 2014

Love,
the families of
Lucy Moyes &
Meagan Lew

SENIORS

Things I’m Glad I DID Do...

a certain junior	become a white hat	Environmental Science	humanities, enviro, fopo,	bomb	early	Take Greek Senior Year,
Always beating Kevin	Befriended Hannah B.	with mr. Gay	Gios	meet new people this year	Sleep	skip classes
Weeks in NBA 2K	Belted out Billy Joel with	experience new things	I’m glad I made friends	Met Sky Booker	Sports	take Humanities junior
AP Art, Lax	Knuck	and getting in touch with	that I think I’ll have for a	Mock Trial	Sports and AP Calculus	year
AP Chem and AP Econ	BLS basketball	myself	while	Mock Trial	started trying in 11th grade	take humanities when mr.
AP Econ	BLS soccer	fashion	Improv	Montreal	stay at BLS	o’Brien was still here
AP Econ	BLS Theatre	Football band	Jamaica senior spring	Montreal	stay in Southie	take humanities with kil-
AP Gov	Break Jack in the dub	Football band	break	not care so much	stayed in Ms. Barich’s class	bourn
Ap Latin	Brighid McDonough	Football Band	JCL	not drop out	stickers from ms barich	Take physics
AP Latin (don’t hate)	Brought a pillow to a cer-	Football Junior Year	join a sports team	Not take AP Econ	Suck up my pride and	take Physics II
AP Spanish Lit	tain Latin teacher’s awful	France, Spain, and Baha	JOIN A.S.I.A.	Only applied to one col-	poop in school	Take the AP Stats Exam
AP Statistics	class	get accepted into Purdue	Join crew in 8th grade	lege	Swim	take the ISEE
applied to college EA	Calculus	University!!!	join NSBE	party	switch out of chem with a	Taken art, chilliest class
arbs	Calculus	get into my dream college	join show choir	Party, make friends	certain teacher	taking enviro with Mr.
Art	Changing voices during	Get married	Join TAGs sophomore year	pass school	switch out of Fopo Day 2	Gay
art class	online Latin classes	get to know Lindsey Jade	join the BLS swim team	passed Italian by cheating	Switch to Regular Calc in	taking Facing History &
Art class with Walshak	cheating on my Stats test	<3	join the company of Bros	Payed attention in History	my junior year	go on Eastern Europe trip
Art History, AP Italian,	cheer	Get to know more people	Join the company of Bros	Class	take AP art	Tennis, Gospel Choir
prom, and Greek class	cheer	senior year	join the sailing team	perform in Asian Night	take AP Biology and art	That LOUD
art senior year	cheerleading	getting into college	join the sailing team	plan a last minute trip to	take AP Gov	The flashlight in Physics I
art w/ mr. harris AKA	cheerleading	girlsswimming—best deci-	join the track team	Baha	Take AP Lit instead of	Times with friends and
poppah	Cheerleading	sion of my life	joined argo	play Clash of Clans every-	English 12	family
Art with Mr. Harris	China Trip 2011, study	go on Eastern Europe!!!	joined BLS A.S.I.A.	day in classes	Take AP Literature	took AP calc AB instead
art, science fair, public dec-	abroad	Go to Asian Night 2014	Joining improv in 8th	play volleyball/a sport	Take AP Writing	of BC
clamation, work for Mr.	Chinese Comp	Go to Baha	grade	play wolfpack soccer	Take AP Writing	took facing history
Flynn, youth design	Chinese comp	go to BAHHA	junior prom	prioritize grades over sleep	Take AP writing	track
Art!	come to BLS	Go to BLS	Kept my circle small	Public Declamation	take APUSH	tried freshman year
Asia Night 2014	Come to this school	Go to England for spring	LaBoom	Quit my instrument	Take art	Try in school from 11th to
asian night ‘14	Come to this school, pass	break	Lacrosse	research paper	take art	12th grade
Asian Night 2014	every class, got turnt	Go to Montreal	learn how to snowboard,	rowing, facing history	take art & AP Art	Virgin Islands BLS Trip
Asian night 2014	Confess	go to the asian arbs	take art, China trip 2011 :)	Eastern Europe trip	take art and the AP Art	volleyball
Asian Night 2014	crew	Gospel choir & Facing	live in southie	save the world	take Art, Enviro, Facing	Volleyball!
Asian Night Senior Dance	Crew	History	Longest Winter Vacation	Semper ubi sub ubi	Take Bio II	Went to Baha
and Fashion Show	crew	Greek	2014	Senior Dance	Take Facing	went to Baha
baha	crew and fencing	Greek	Ludlow	Show Choir	take Facing	went to the cave
Baha 2014 baby	Crew, Chorus	have a relationship	Ludlow	Show choir! and Seevak	Take Facing and Art His-	Wolfettes
BAHAMAS	CREW!	Hockey	Made friends	competition	tory with Freems	work out
baseball	Eastern Europe	Holiday Sing-off, Urban-	Make friends	signed up to be a part of	Take Facing senior year	write Syeda Karim lots
Baseball and Golf	eating mushrooms	Plan, Volleyball, Decla-	make friends	Gio’s crew	take foreign policy	of sappy love poetry
be kind	Econ	mation	Make Friends	Skip R1 and go out to	take Foreign Policy with	(you’re beautiful girl; never
Be sassy 24/7	Enviro	Humanities with Mr.	Meet Daniel Hines	breakfast	Mrs. Kirkpatrick	change)
Beans	Environmental Science	O’Brien	Meet Franki, shes da	Skip R7 studies to leave	Take French	Youth coalition

To the Class of 2014

I had many of you in the 8th grade and oh that was just like being in heaven! Somehow, last year, I got to teach Pre-Calculus and got to teach you again in grade eleven! After writing quite a few letters of recommendation, there is not much left to say but,

CONGRATULATIONS!

I am very proud of you

~Fondly, Mrs. Gribaudo



Princess

Congratulations on a job well done!

We are extremely proud of all that have achieved.

Follow your dreams....

May God continue to bless you and direct your path.

Love you!

Dad, Mom, Greg,

Danny and Buddy

SENIORS

Things I’m Glad I Did NOT do...

4 AP Classes Senior Year	man year	Drugs & Alcohol	go crazy	montreal	ous pics to a coworker	Take Chem
a sophomore	be a dramatic high school b****	Drugs & Alcohol	Go on the roof and get suspended	more history	Set a trash barrell on fire on the fourth day	take chemistry
acid	be friends with females	Drugs, weed	Go to “Monty”	moved back to the south	Set the school on fire	take chemistry
advanced math	Be sloppy, get caught with anything, fail	dye my hair purple	go to “Monty”	My Sophomore year	Show up tardy	take chinese comp
all nighters	befriend a GIANT	eat school lunch	go to “Monty”	boyfriend	skip and get caught	Take Econ
AP Bio	MAN-EATING SPIDER)	Eat School Lunch	Go to Baha	Never going to the arbs	skip class	take econ
AP Bio	Calc	eat school lunches	go to CM	No ragrets	skip class	take facing history
AP Bio	Calculus	English 12	go to monty	Not attend BLS	slack off earlier	Take French
AP Bio	Calculus	Enter in sixie year	go to prom	Overload AP classes	smoke	take French
AP Bio and Chem	cardboard chicken	ever take physics	Go to the Arbs	party every night	soccer	take French
AP Biology	care what anyone thinks about me	Everything Mary did...yikes	Go to UMASS Amherst	Physics	softball senior year	Take humanities
AP Calc	Cause the fires at school	fail my research paper	Gotten arrested	Physics	Statistics	take Humanities
AP Calc... no pls	cheerleading	fail school	Humanities	physics	Stay friends with my old friends	take more Latin
ap chem	Chem	fishbowls	I’m glad that I’ve never been to the arbs	physics	Stay in orchestra	take physics
AP Chem	Chinese Comp.	follow the dress code	JCL	Physics	stay with people that bring negative energy to my life	Take Physics
Ap Chemistry	clog a toilet	French	JCL	physics	stayed in that relationship	Take physics
AP econ	Coke	get caught	join the AP Econ Cult	Physics senior year	take a dump in a urinal	Take physics senior year
AP Econ	Continue Latin	get caught by mom (yet)	jr. prom	physics senior year	Take a math class senior year/ Party w/ my grade every weekend	Take Physics Senior Year
AP Econ	continued with crew	get censured	junior research paper	Physics w/ a certain teacher	Take any honors/ Ap math & sciences	Take SATs in March
AP Econ	Crew	get expelled	latin prose	Physics, AP Econ	Take AP Bio	Tardy detention
Ap Econ	Cry	Get Expelled	leave BLS	Play it SAFE	Take AP Bio or AP Chem	tardy detention
AP Econ	date any guy at BLS	get in a twitter fight with Pat Brown	Leave Boston Latin School	Play mmorps from 5 p.m to 2 a.m!	Take AP Chem	test Ms. Holm
AP Econ during senior year	date anyone at this school	get in any trouble	Light fires in the bathroom	prom; date a BLS student	Take AP Chemistry	train with RNS
AP Lit	die	Get influenced by people	live in westie	quit band	Take AP Econ	transfer out...no matter how many times I wanted to
AP US History	Double Akeson classes	get pregnant	lose the people i value	Quit band, take physics & take math senior year	Take apgov.	Transfer to BAA
AP Writing	drop out	get school lunch ever	losing \$131 from my wallet	read any English book, ever	Take apgov.	Transferred.
APush	drop out, having tardy detentions	Get w/ anyone from 2014	love these thotties	Regular English 12	take chem	tried in 7th-10th grade
APUSH	drugs	getting censured	Made my college essay a rant about BLS	Screw up the bathroom		waste on my money on J’s
APUSH	drugs	Girls lacrosse, Mather’s research paper	Make a lot of fake friends	send those scandal-		wearing a skirt for a project in ms nab-befeld’s 9th grade
APUSH and AP Econ	Drugs	give up	Math			latin class
Baha	Drugs	Give up to overwhelming stress	Meet up with anyone in the stairwell			
Baha						
Baha						
Baha						
basketball after fresh-						

Congratulations, Ciara!



We are so proud of you! You have made it through the 6 years at BLS and we wish you every success on your new adventures and achievements in the world of Nursing! You go girl!

Love, Mom, Dad, Caroline, Claire, and Auntie Kate

SENIORS

Things I Wish I Had Done...

A real senior prank	been less stressed out	facing history	Homework	Met my best friend be-	rolled up the partition	take Facing History
A Second Sport	Been more confident/	Facing History	Homework	fore senior year	Run for Class President	take German
a sport	amicable	fought someone	homework. Luls.	Met people sooner	Senior Skip Day	take more AP's
a sport	Been more confident/	Germ's jkjk he's beat "/	I didn't try so hard	met some people before	skipped more R7 prae-	take risks
a sport	amicable	get a job	I wish I joined a sports	senior year	flecting	take self-defense classes,
A.S.I.A.	been more outgoing in	get in touch with nature	team here	missed more school	Sleep	join more extracurricu-
AP Art	7th and 8th grade	at the Arbouretum	Introduced to Jillian to	montreal	Sneaked into the Cave	lars
AP Economics	been more outgoing,	Go on French trip	Jabon Aldean earlier	Montreal	(it's in the auditorium!)	Taken a class with
Ap Italian	transferred	go on the Quebec trip	It in school	more art	snorkeling in Baha	Mr.Gay
Ap Lit	been more studios	Go on the roof	join a sport	more Asian night,joined	Spend more time with	Taken AP bio
arbs	Befriended Mariel Rice	go on the Spain trip ju-	join a sports team sooner	Chorus,joined basketball	the class of '14	taken art
Art	Biology 2	nior year	Join Asian Night when I	team	Spend time in the cave	Taken Chinese Comp
Art History, German	BLS basketball	Go to a party.	was a sixie	More clubs, especially	spoken word	Taken Facing History
Art with Mr. Harris	Burn down the school	Go to Baha junior year	Join improv	ASIA	Sports	Taken facing history
Asia Night	cared about my grades	go to more BLS activities	join more clubs	more clubs/sports	sports, gone cut more	Taken Facing History
Asian night, Senior	earlier	go to the cave	join senior dance	more extracurriculars	Start a club	talk to more people
Dance	Chinese Comp	gone on the Eastern Eu-	Join the Football team	more involved in class	Start a food fight	talked to more people
Baha	Chinese Composition	rope trip	senior year	More sports	Started BLS w/ more	the party the night after
Baha	climb on top of the audi-	Gone on the French trip	joined more clubs	Mr. Simoneau's stats fi-	focus	junior prom
Baha	torium	in 10th grade... and met	Joined wrestling earlier	nal	stats with simoneau	theater
Baha	climb the cupola	more people earlier	latin	MTL 2014	stayed close to the friends	Theater & get more sleep
Baha	Come to school late every	gone on the roof	Latin Prose	MTL, SIKE IT WAS	I made during sixie year	Theater/improv
Baha :(day like Aaron wong	gone out more	latin. "learned"	AWESOME	Stayed in band	told her i hate her
Baha 2014	and still graduate	Gone out more, made	learn to make more than	Music	Stayed in Improv	track earlier
baha twice	Conquer the school	more friends	just cereal and instant	Music Theory	Stayed in the clubs I did	transferred
be more active	continue participating in	Gone to Eastern Europe	coffee	my secret crushes	join, join sports	tried freshman year
be more daring	nutrons	gone to the arbs	learned spanish	Never become more	Stayed single for college	Tried harder
Be more open with peo-	continued taking Latin	gone to the cave	left the house on week-	than friends	STRESS LESS.SLEEP	Tried harder in 9th/10th
ple and stepped outside	cut class, go to junior	gotten in a twitter fight	ends	No ragrets	MORE.	grade
my comfort zone	prom	with Pat Brown	Listened to my heart	nothing	Studied a little	tried out for a musical
Be more sociable	Dance club	Gotten more sleep	Listened...	Paid more attention	swim team	Troll more teachers
Became friends with	Danced w/hobos at foot-	Gotten past prelims at	Ludlow	played a sport	take 9th and 10th grade	Trusted nobody
more people	ball practice	guild	Made a teacher's parking	Played a sport	more seriously	Try out for show choir/
become friends with 8th	eat, sleep, rave, repeat	gotten to know the	pass for myself	played baseball	take ap calc	musical/chamber
grade Kenzie	electron configurations	people I met senior year	made more crazy memo-	played football	Take Art	went to private school
become friends with Agi	enviro w/ Mr. Gay	before	ries to look back upon	played volleyball	Take Art	went to the first extracur-
sooner	experience a walk	greek	make friends with peo-	Public Dec	take art	ricular fair
become friends with	explore the Alice and	had more fun	ple before senior year	public declamation	take facing	Wolf tones, BLS soccer
some people sooner	Wonderland door in the	Had that party	Met everyone in the	Quit band	Take Facing	team
been a part of the basket-	basement	Have a more diverse set	grade	Rebelled	Take Facing	work
ball team for real	facing	of friends	met more sophomores	Ride a Camel to school	Take Facing	Wrestle



Congratulations Harrison!

*We are so proud of you.
May your future bring you
success and happiness!!*

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Mary Kate, and Chris

Gluckwunsche!

From the
“Friends of German”
Congrats Class of 2014

**CONGRAZZLES MOCK
TRIAL PARENTS [ET AL.]!**



FOR LEAVING US CHILDREN ALL ALONE



**THANKS A BUNCH.
LOVE Y'ALL TOO.**

(MOST OF THE TIME.)

KEVIN HARRY
KRISTINE
ANTHONY / ANTONIO

SENIORS

I Admit To...

“Borrowing” textbooks from people when they left it behind	Wilk being really awkward	cri everytim	farting in every class	homework	not flushing	answers for this senior survey
14 straight D’s in spanish	being sad when joffrey died	Crying over an 83	Finding the cave	Letting the blue breezes get the best of me	pooping on the stairs in the 10th grade	swearing in front of coachie in the 8th grade
abusing my hallway passes	being sexy	crying over Lea Michele solos	First name Ever, last name Greatest. That’s right, I’m Ever Greatest	letting the dogs out	pooping outside the toilet	Taking two lunches
accidentally stealing multiple micron pens from the art room	Being that explative	Cutting in the lunch line every single day	flooding the girl’s bathroom	liking Latin	putting pictures & fake promposals on people’s doors	Telling a teacher I had diarrhea to get out of trouble for skipping
Actually being grateful & enjoying myself at BLS	Being that kid who had the mumps	cutting the lunch line every...single...day.	Forging Hall Passes	loving physics	putting prom for 8 stickers in the bathroom	The Seevak room during the art show on music night
actually doing the coin flip project for Akeson	Being the Chosen One	cutting the lunchline date anyone from bls	Getting Buckets	making a top 10 girls list in 9th grade	RAWRGH! DENY EVERYTHING! I AM THE RACCOON!	throwing my lunch into the boys’ bathroom every day
actually liking BLS	Being the hot sixie	daydreaming my way through high school	getting caught signing my report card, falling down and up the stairs	making a twitter to combat republicans and their despicable views on feminism	rolling into school after questionable sleepovers	Throwing the burrito at you
actually not hating this school	blaming monthly cramps for oversleeping	Defiling Mr. Ruzzo’s room	getting more than one lunch	Making out with the arsonist in the balcony	scheming	throwing up in the hall and taking a run for it
almost getting locked in the school basement	2 hours on a school day + skipping	Doing bad things lol	getting Ms. Brun fired	Making the regular World History final study guide	Secretly liking Latin	Using a faculty bathroom
being a bad boy, I heard you like them	Bringing swine flu into BLS	Doing illegal activities	getting on the roof	10th grade	secretly loving BLS	sixie year because I didn’t know it was one
being a creep 8th-11th grade	BSing Akeson’s coin flip	doing research paper in one night	getting sprayed by a skunk in 10th grade	melting a pen cap on a hot plate & almost setting off the fire	shoving an 8th grader down in a fit of rage	using a guy to get close to my crush
being a creep with Ben on the ski trip	Cheating	drawing on Ben’s shirt with sharpie in fifth grade	getting with more girls than guys	akim	Skippping geometry	using the boys’ bathroom
being a huge nerd until senior year	cheating	with someone I hate	going to prom with someone I hate	missing BLS when I leave	skipping the Holocaust museum to go to the white house...loljk	using the boys’ bathroom (but I really had to go)
being a playboy	cheating on Akeson’s coin flipping assignment	going to the cave	going to the cave	my dad being in the mob	Slacking	Using the faculty bathrooms
being a really dull person	cheating on almost every single French vocab test	hating 95% of you	hating everyone	Nearly ruining that one promposal	Slacking	using the faculty bathrooms
being a savage	single French vocab test	Hating everyone	Hating everyone	never hating BLS	Sleeping in classes	voting for senior superlatives 4 times
Being a Vampire Sixie Year	Cheating on every Chemistry test I ever took	Having a crush on Simoneau	Having a crush on Simoneau	not counting the pennies for that HW assignment	smelling mr long when he walked by my table in ninth grade	Walking into girl’s bathroom ;)
being an alien	cheating on every single Latin test	no jobs for me “/”	Having a crush on a student teacher (yikes!)	for that HW assignment	Sneaking into class late	wearing boxers instead of ladies’ underwear
being an Eggplant	year	Dropping eggs and stinking up the hallway in 9th grade	having a lot of crushes	not doing Akeson’s coin flip	Sneaking out of school	Wearing shorts that caused the dress code
being Annalise’s cousin	Cheating on every Spanish final	eating a can and raw potato at the arbs	having a teacher crush on Mr. Hamilton	Not doing the penny assignment (sorry Akeson)	spilling juice in the auditorium	writing a 2 3/4 research paper junior year and getting a 72 on it
being fabulous	cheating on every stats test	eating a full panera meal in the backstage loft	having better eyebrows than you	Not flipping the penny	starting the alien rumor	Writing inspiring messages on the girls’ bathroom wall
being gay	cheating on everything... even declamation	eating in class	having feeling for Brian once...	not getting any carnations on Valentine Day	starting the cough session in the MCAS	writing love notes
being in love with an LG	cheating on Mr. Akeson’s coin flips	emptying Tone’s locker	Having the best walk ever	not having prostitutes in my room on the D.C trip	starting the fire	writing on bathroom walls
Being in Love with Jesse Southwick	cheating.	enjoying AP chemistry	hitting it first	not making good friends	Stealing a picture from the music department	writing that “love note” in 9th grade
being insecure	cheating...like a lot	Enjoying Latin	it’d probably get censored if I actually wrote it	not reading my books for my research paper	stealing all the toilet paper	Writing the creepy carnation to Cole in 8th grade
being kind of spazzy	climbing out of a bathroom stall when the door was jammed	Everything	judging Thomas	Not studying the night before a test	stealing art supplies	Writing the sixie article in 7th grade
Being legit scum	clogging the girls bathroom in the basement	Faking both of those apologies	jumping into the outside bin during recyding club	all of senior year	stealing from the truck every morning in 7th grade	
being loyal	but undogging it myself	Faking Mr. Akeson’s Penny Test	Kissing Ben Chen	nothing	stealing from the truck every morning in 7th grade	
being madly in love with Katherine Kerr	copying homework all the time	faking Mr. Akeson’s penny test	Knowing that Njoku is Santa Claus	Nothing	stealing...your heart	
Being more fabulous than all of you #sorry-boutit	Copying page 4 of my junior research paper	faking my penny flips in AP Enviro	leaving school when I had studies R7	NOTHING!	stepping in dog poop and walking around with it	
being not as cool as I look	8 times in order to fulfill length requirement	Falling asleep in every class	letting people copy my	nothing, I’m perfect	submitting really long	
being obsessed with Chris Brown but many of you already know that		Farting in class		peeing my pants		
Being obsessed with Julie				Plagarizing one sentence on my senior paper		
				pooping in the stall and		



Proud of you, Seb! Love, Your ‘Big Fat Crazy Family’



SENIORS

I'd Like To Thank...For...

2010 for inspiring me to graduate Aidan Price, stealing my roommate Alex for motivation Alexis Taylor...being my kind of hilarious All my friends and teachers for helping me get through the past six years All my teachers... for... not catching me cheat all these years Althea, always singing Anthony for dealing with my sleeping habits Ari...the dress code Ashlin...standing me up so I could meet my destiny baha crew...being loyal Being famous BLS... helping me get into college BLS...making my life a living hell BLS...ruining my life boys distance varsity...being awesome people even if "it's only track" Bidget for helping me survive senior year Caitlyn for being awesome Caroline; Being a great friend Certain latin teacher, giving us all countless all nighters Chewy for being the funniest and most handsome kid Chiebuka...making the entire school speak a different language Conor Moccio for everything Courtney Tobiere for keeping me sane, the google drive app cutesoph more boys...making me a proud cougar Dance chaperones...making sure I never succumbed to the evil of grinding Dawn; helping me pass with A- in Latin	Doctor Ali for introducing me to Robert Pinsky Dr Carroll the younger... everything Dr Karydas for letting me sleep in class Dr. Ali for challenging the system Dr. Ali, introducing creative thought to Latin School Dr. Ali, just being a great guy Dr. Carroll and Mr. Gay for being so genuine and Ms. Arnold for being so eccentric <3 Dr. Carroll for being so cool Mr. Spezzano for teaching me how to love biology. Dr. Carroll the Younger and Ms. Holm...for being the best teachers I've ever had Dr. Carroll the Younger...for being absolutely amazing in every way possible Dr. Carroll the younger... for...being Dr. Carroll the younger Dr. Carroll...for everything you did for me Dr. Neary for being the realest person at this school Dr. Neary for making history interesting Dr. Prosper... always being there for me elvis Eric Li for his chem homework Erica being crazy with me everyone, helping me along my journey Everyone...helping me get this far Everyone...putting up with me for 6 years Frau Kuchta & Dr. Carroll for awesome German classes Free Pizza Friday for saving my life Gen...everything Gio...being the greatest person at BLS	Gio...being the greatest man at BLS Gio...for being the best black girl he could be Gio...getting me through Grace for being awesome Grad city...making spring break amazing Harrison Flynn Harry Xue—letting me use his agenda book for toilet paper Henry Tsang...everything I'd like to thank everyone who ever stood by me I'd like to thank Ms. Sylvester for being Isabel for being my best friend Jamaica Plain...raising me well James Herriot...inspiring me Janelle; all the cheez its she fed me Jasper Schilling for providing music to my ears Joe Gels for being amazing Kevin~his laugh Kevin Situ...for almost everything Kevin Zhu . . . being my psychiatrist Khaleesi... freeing the unsullied Kimberly...being awesome Kirkpatrick for being the most helpful and caring teacher Lauren Yen for being the best friend ever m haters for being my motivators Maddy Hemstrom-Hill; helping me get through last february Mama Cherry...All the love and support Marcella for throwing that party Mariel Rice for keeping me sane, fat and happy marina and lauren...letting me gush about bands to	them Mayor Menino for free pizza fridays #fpf Miranda...being the best person in the school Montague for being the best counselor mr montague for getting me through high school Mr. Akeson...being the grandfather I've never had Mr. Bilodeau... tolerating us Mr. Flynn...for his support Mr. G for letting me in his room Mr. G for absolutely everything he does Mr. G for everything Mr. G for teaching me everything I know about high school Mr. G...supporting me every day Mr. Gay for being the man Mr. Gay for getting me interested in enviro Mr. Gay...keeping everything relevant Mr. Gay...working here Mr. Gray for being a smooth dude Mr. Hamilton for being on all-around awesome human being adn enduring all my emails Mr. Hamilton...his emails Mr. Harris for a great Art Class Mr. Harris...all the therapy Mr. Harris...giving us hot chocolate Mr. Milk...teaching me to write Mr. Montague and Ms. Encarnacao for being the best counselors ever! Mr. Montague for always being an absolute darling Mr. Montague for being my savior Mr. Montague for being understanding Mr. Montague for EVERY-	THING Mr. Montague...everything Mr. Njoku...being hilarious and awesome Mr. O'Brien for teaching Film in Humanities class Mr. Osowiecki for trying to encourage me to present in front of the class Mr. Rudder for sharing his passion for math Mr. Sanford for increasing my vocab Mr. Sanford for my recommendation Mr. Sanford...showing me I can be a good writer if I work for it Mr. Sim for consoling me about about the hissing plane Mr. Southwick for letting me prove myself in his class Mrs. Gribaudo for actually teaching me how to do math Mrs. Long for making 8th grade tolerable Ms Holm and Ms Moon for being cool Ms Moon...being flawless Ms Yang...for an interesting 4 years Ms. Barich for teaching me how to write Ms. Clougherty for always being there to help Ms. Clougherty for helping me with all my issues Ms. Clougherty...not giving up Ms. Cousens-caring for me Ms. Cousens, dealing with me for 4 years Ms. Figueroa and Ms. Eliot for being awesome Ms. Hausey... everything Ms. Holm for being a great teacher Ms. Holm...being the best teacher Ms. Holm...inspiring me Ms. Jamal for being a wom-	an who actually cares about me. Ms. Ledang...writing my recommendation Ms. Moon...teaching me to write (albeit a little late) Ms. Moylan for everything Ms. Segal for supporting me through high school Ms. Sylvester for being the best Ms. Sylvester for keeping me sane Ms. Walshak and Mr. Harris for being amazing friends and mentors Ms. Walshak for inspiring me to follow my passion in art my best friend.... always being there for me my boys, giving me years of laughs my brother... always being there for me My Chemical Romance for their awesome music My colleges for accepting me My dad for believing in me my family for being my biggest supporters my family... dealing with me for these six crazy years my friends for everything my friends, for showing me who I shouldn't become my friends, helping me get through this hell that is BLS My friends...for giving me the nickname Filet. my mom for birthing me my mom for cooking me food My parents for always being supportive and letting me chase after my dreams. My parents, for giving up their comforts in the hopes of providing me with a better future my parents, friends, and Ms, Clougherty for sup-	porting me My parents: always being there for me and loving me unconditionally my parents...literally everything My sister Michelle for being my biggest supporter Myself for giving me this opportunity myself for staying sane Natalia Sabogal...making me a better person Natalie Fiorenzo for being amazing Nhan...for...being supportive during Asian night Nora and Hannah for always being there for me Nora Portillo for going on adventures with me since sixie year Nya...for being awesome Rinaldawg...being a bro Sanford...EVERYTHING HETAUGHT A YOUNG GIRL Sean; being outspoken Sirine and Althea for keeping me sane Slater...providing sleep/for always being there for me Southie for creating me southie, being god's country Thank Ms. Burke for genuinely loving her students The crew...for making me a farmer The lunch ladies that put grilled cheeses under light bulbs the man in subway in Prague for telling me "eatin is cheatin" the school...barely feeding me for 6 years the Spanish department for never teaching me Spanish Tommy DeRosa for everything Trifectome for ending You....reading this
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Yeah, yeah yeah... Congratulations on your graduation.
Yeah, yeah, yeah... Nice job on 6 years of hard work.
Yeah, yeah, yeah... Attagirl on your dedication and hard work.
You even know how to translate, “ *Semper ubi sub ubi*”.
Wonderful.
But when are you moving out???

We love you, Kaitlyn Morris!
And truly ,Congratulations! Nice job! Attagirl!
Mom, Dad, Gregory and Andrew

In Ten Years, You'll Find Me...

(almost) thirty, flirty and thriving 10 years older A DoubleCrimson beauty A male trying to pursue his acting and modeling career. Future Millionaire. a place full of rainbows and sunshine A veterinarian All big and all... around Boston Around Boston, see you around! Arresting you arresting your sorry a** as a civil engineer as a Diplomat as a famous Youtube star as a trophy wife with no thoughts as Hand of the King as stressed & emotionally unstable as I am today at breezes bahamas blue breeze in hand At Grammy's next to my main Mann at Roy Maggie's wedding at the Chinatown YMCA back in Boston, rich Being a farmer being a leader Being a QB in the NFL being a woncing chick and cutting that check Being crowned on Ru-paul's Drag Race Being famous Being famous Being happy in Europe being successful blogging for Barstool LA breezes catching up on all the sleep I missed here	Catching up with my favorite tv. shows on Netflix Chasing tomadoes like a crazy person Chillin in Deutschland with Michaela chilling as always Curious about the time capsule and still finding myself digging at an archaeology site Directing k-dramas and tv shows Do something awesome Doing something amazing of course Doing what I love Drinking a blue breeze at superdub Driving a Bentley...with my cat eating dried mango while i paint my dogs eating guacamole in another country employed employed, hopefull extremely handsome fat. #foodlovah filling the tub halfway Flying a plane flying you around as your pilot Fresh out of law School and living life Happ eh Happier, living life one day at a time happily married and a great doctor happy and traveling around the world Having fun helping others succeed holdin down Southie	Holding down the fort in Southie Hopefully doing well in med school hopefully living a satisfactory life hopefully not dead Hustling in a cardboard box In a different country in a kdrama in a radio station In a stall - OFFICE stall In a theatre near you in a nigloo with a pet moose in an or BJ In California, carefree and happy in D.C. in Di's posse In Europe In grade 22 in graduate school In Korea in LA traveling around the world doing what I love in lights in medical school in Neverland (I'll be the raccoon) in South Korea, fangirling In the army In the credits of a Pixar movie In the northeast being a successful doctor In the year 3000. Not much has changed, except we live underwater. In your refrigerator in your purse. \$\$\$ Inventing everything you use Just got rich Killing it lifting, bro	living in D.C. with a law degree living in SoCal Living the American Dream with 12 dogs Living the dream Living the dream at Zoo-mass lounging with Hodong loving my life making bank as a lawyer Making bank as an engineer Making billions making millions in New York City making more guap than you making movies making mulla on a boat in the Caribbean Making that money :)\$ making the games you're playing making the next Head and Soulders married Married and pregnant doing well. married and teaching at BLS Married to an NHL player married to an NHL superstar married to Jennifer Lawrence nah next to Brendan Macdonald No, you won't not in Massachusetts not married to Chris Brown but I will be pretty close! Not Taking 'No' For an Answer	Nowhere near here older but no wiser on a beach on a beach in the Bahamas on a beach, living life on a boat making bank On adventure on DWTS on Love and Hip Hop with Chewy on the beach somewhere on the corner On the Real Housewives of Beverly Hills on the red carpet at the oscars on the street begging for change On TV making a difference in the world Owning a successful business paying mortgage on a Wet to property petting dogs Picking sand out of my belly button playing baseball probably crying over a marvel movie probably in debt, but happy Proving people wrong rich and married Rich. That is all richer than you Riding a motorcycle and surfin' waves riding my pet pterodactyl back to Baha Roches rocking your world rolling in dough...and happy rolling in money hopefully Rolling in Monopoly	money ruling the world running a nonprofit, and an art museum, and the country Running my own company from home with no pants Saving the world scuba diving on the great barrier reef serving fries...artinsinal, hand-cut fries sexy Six feet under Skipping R1 to go to break-fast slaying Smoking leagalized product Somewhere somewhere in Seoul with cute shoes somewhere nice somewhere on Wall Street somewhere warm Spending summers in Newport with my doctor husband stacking cheese"/ Still climbing the corporate ladder still in Boston still in Brighton still in debt, let's be real here still in school still madly in love with SAF still not living in Boston Still recovering from the stress of BLS still smokin', still ballin' Still trying to understand Chiebukea's tweets still wearing skinny jeans supreme dictator of the universe	swangin', eyes closed just swangin' tan with lots of babies teaching elementary school throwing hunnids touring the world making art with Banksy Traveling and working in health care traveling around the world Traveling the world traveling the world in my fancy pants traveling the world to save animals travelling everywhere Vacationing in Hawai'i Wall Street Wearing a disguise who knows with 10 cats With a full passport With a job starting a family with my own pasta and taco food truck with your man with Zoey wondering what I should be when I grow up working and traveling working at an animal hospital working at my own company working at Starbucks serving frappacinos or on Wall Street working hard and loving life working in a hospital working with a six-figure salary You will find me as a pharmacist at retail in CVS You'll never catch me cop-pers!
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Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors! From Friends of Soccer

Girls Varsity Soccer:

- Nani Argyros
- Lucy Caffrey-Maffei
- Isabel DeLaura
- Hannah Givertz
- Sophia Hatzis
- Ariana Napoletano
- Francesca Violich

Boys Varsity Soccer:

- Alex Cassesso
- Kyle Kumasaka
- Cole Rainey-Slavick
- Owen Ward

SENIORS

Things I Wish I Had Not Done

#NORAGRETS	been super shy until junior year	friendship I’ve ever had violently	Justifying my cowardice with rational excuses	ally	take Chem 1 and Physics 2 in junior year	taken Physics 2
7th-12th grade	being so dramatic	English 12 and AP Bio	kiss a classmate	Procrastinating procrastination	Take fopo	Taken physics and AP Bio
8th grade scene phase	Bio 2	Fail Latin 2	Latin Prose	put french as one of my top language choices	TAKE FRENCH	Taken Physics I (I still love Southwick though)
cringe	Bio 2, stopped caring early, losing motivation	Failed Mr. Beyer’s research paper the 1st time	Latin Prose	put off senior research paper	Take French and Physics	Taken Physics senior year
A backflip	Bio II	failed my research paper	Leave my fly down for declamation	repeated 8th grade	Take Greek.	year
Adv Geometry	Biology 2	Farted	lost my best friend over a thot	returned the \$80 that I found this year	take Humanities	Taken Physics senior year
AP Bio!	BLS Orchestra	French	Ludlow, Vermont	screwed off until junior year	take Physics 2	taken Physics senior year
AP biology	blue breezes	French	M.A.P.	sign up for 6 AP tests	Take Physics 2	year
AP Chem	Blue Breezes	French	mess up junior year	Skip hangouts	take physics senior year	taken Physics senior year
AP Chem 11th grade	Busy Work	French	no ragrets	Skipped months of school	Taken AP Bio	year
AP Chem and AP Bio together	Cancelled my party	French	no ragrets	skipped months of school	taken AP Calculus	Taken physics..ever
AP Chem during senior year	car accident	garlic knots	NO RAGRETS <3	Slacked	Taken AP Chem	Taken stats
AP Chemistry	cared about what other people thought	Get detention	NO RAGRETS!	Slacked off so much in Physics	taken AP Chemistry	Taking Advanced Algebra 2
AP Chemistry	Cared so much	get in trouble with Ms. Ellis	no regrets	Sleptless nights studying	Taken AP Econ	Taking Advanced math
AP Chemistry, French	Caught jungle fever	go to BLS	no regrets	sophomores	Taken AP Spanish	talk to some of these
AP Econ	cheated on my boyfriend	gone on that Bus...	not one punch/bottle	spend so many R1 periods at the Galleria	Taken APUSH	heouxs
AP Econ	cheated on that Stats test	Gone to BLS	mad BLS kids	sprained my ankle at the arbs	taken bio 2	The thing that got me suspended
AP Economics	Chem	Gone to summer school	Not take AP Lit	Stats for never	taken bio 2!!!	The things I regret
AP Enviro	Chem 1 senior year chemistry	Gone to the arbs	nothing	Stats for never	taken Chem insted of Enviro	The thumb
AP French	Chemistry	got concussed	perpetuated a negative rat stereotype	stats with a certain teacher	taken chem senior year	thrown up on the school bus
AP Italian	Chemistry 2... (so much harder than I thought it would be)	Got suspended so many times in 8th grade	Physics	Stay in my bubble	taken chemistry	time management
AP Latin	chicken sandwiches from the truck in the morning	gotten caught cheating by karydas	Physics	stay up late	Taken Chinese comp; call Mr. Simoneau by his first name	haha.
Ap Latin and Ap Bio...in the same year	Chinese comp with neary	green street	Physics	Step foot in the Arbs	taken Emglish 12	Told Ms. Valentin what I really thought of her
AP Lit	come to BLS	had a boyfriend	Physics I with a certain teacher	stress myself out	taken French	Trusted nobody
AP Spanish	cut my hair	had a relationship in high school	Physics senior year	stress over nothing	Taken Humanities	try so hard
AP Stats	cut off my hair and bleached it	Had excessive tardies and was held	Physics senior year	stressed out at BLS	taken music theory	try to throw a hotel party that failed
apologized	bleached it	Had so many blue breezes	Physics Senior year	stressed out over small things	taken normal English senior year	wasted my time with people who didn’t care about me
APUSH	declamation	humanities	Physics senior year	Take a push	Taken Physics	Went to second base without stepping on first
APUSH	Declamation	I REGRET NOTHING!	plagiarize my research paper	take advanced math	Taken physics	Worn high heels at Senior Prom
Band	eat school lunch	I wish I didn’t think I was dumb at first	procrastinate	take AP Bio	taken physics	
be lazy	eaten school food	Junior prom	Procrastinate	take AP Bio senior year	Taken Physics 1, taken Italian, been so hard on myself	
be lazy 9th and 10th grade	ELA 12, physics 1	Junior Year	procrastinate, but re-	Take calculus		
Be stupid	Ended every best					
Be tardy, skip						
been a pushover and let people walk all over me						
Been placed in French						

Lucy Caffrey Maffei:

You did it! Congrats! We love you and wish you great things!

And now a few words to live by:

“Follow your passion, stay true to yourself, never follow someone else’s path unless you’re in the woods and you’re lost and you see a path then by all means you should follow that.”

- Ellen Degeneres

Congratulations!

*Today is your day.
You’re off to Great Places!
You’re off and away!*

*You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes
You can steer yourself
any direction you choose.
You’re on your own. And you know what you know.
And YOU are the girl who’ll decide where to go.*

You did it Pitufa, and I am sooo proud of you! Mami

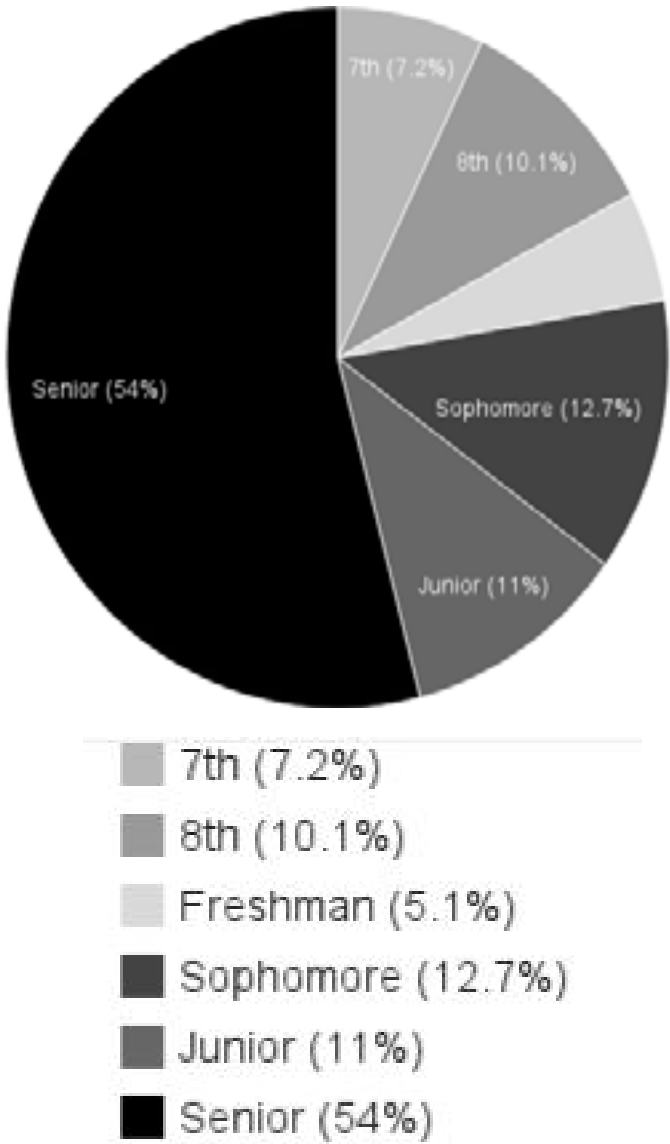
Dear Lian, Ammany, Phung, Madeline, Natalie, Victoria, Thomas, Laura, Ariadne, Allie, Antonio, Annalise, Deladem, Daniel, Weiquan, Kevin, Michaela, Harry, and Marina,
Thank you for bringing your intellect, creativity, enthusiasm, and sense of humor to AP Euro – it has been a pleasure to be your teacher. Congratulations on your graduation!

Wishing you all the best,
Ms. Webb

Favorite Teachers

- 1) Mr. Gay
- 2) Mr. Harris
- 3) Dr. Carroll the Younger
- 4) Ms. Holm
- 5) Mr. Bilodeau
- 6) Ms. Kirkpatrick
- 7) Mr. Mikalaitis
- 8) Mr. Rinaldi
- 9) Ms. Barich
- 10) Mr. Simoneau
- 11) Dr. Neary
- 12) Mr. Hamilton
- 13) Mr. Kearns
- 14) Ms. Elliott
- 15) Ms. Stone
- 16) Ms. Freeman
- 17) Ms. Moon
- 18) Mr. Akeson
- 19) Ms. Yang
- 20) Mr. Britto

Favorite Year



Kenia,

Words cannot express how much the Squad will miss you. We have been honored and blessed to have you serve this year as the team’s captain. You are more than just a captain. You are a sister and a friend. You have challenged us to be better and to do better with each and every day. This is the best quality of a true leader. You have the ability to inspire others and we love you for that. We are sad to see you go but we must let you go off and continue to do great and amazing things in Florida. WE LOVE YOU BIG SISTER!

- BLS Step Squad & Ms. Delorme -



Niamh,

We are looking forward to sharing in your next journey. The best is yet to come.

Love,
Michael, Ciara, Mom and Dad



SENIORS

One Piece Of Advice I Have For...Is...

2015 let us (2014) have our moment, sixies make friends fast, everyone don't 2016...come to less senior parties
9th graders...calm down
9th graders...don't let go of your innocence
a certain headmaster, leave before it's too late.
A new BLS student...make some trouble
Admin is y'all can't stop me
Akeson's students is the back of the textbook is your new best friend
all future seniors to not get too caught up in the "BLS bubble/way of things" when it comes to college
all my Bsies, find your Bsie pals, remember that you're amazing & never give up!
all students...hangout in the always empty meeting room in the smaller guidance office
all students...to take facing history
All the kids these days, turn the hell down for your health and wellbeing
All underclassmen...to embrace life as it is
anyone, live in southie
Asians...don't put Asian on your college apps
BLS students...go to bed
BLS students...is...find your true friends and don't trust everyone
BLS...listen to your students for once
boys distance varsity...keep on doing those Lars
Cam Harrington...keep being real my man
Carroll the Elder's students...for the love of God, get him to like you

Certain science teacher...to retire
Class of 2014...keep in touch with each other!
Colleen Shea...stay superior
Colleen...be nice in college
Dezyre; stay beautiful and open up. You never know the true friends you can find.
I love you doll - Kiki
Do not take too many absent days. It creeps up on you and next thing you know, you get held back.
Don't drink
Don't fall in love in high school
don't let them catch you skipping...be smart
Don't save them for senior year
Don't take 2 sciences together
Don't take French!!
Don't work hard...work efficiently
DONT GET A CREDIT CARD
Don't take fopo
Drink coffee
ducks...keep quacking :)
eighth graders...respect yourselves
Eunyeque...be a lady
every sixie...learn to use your lockers already
Everybody... Just go ham and get put a hen
Everyone - more naps
everyone is don't let work ruin your health
everyone is if you're not enjoying yourself, stop.
Everyone is making up the future as they go
everyone is taking facing history
Everyone is to take it one day at a time.
everyone still at bls...is...en-

joy life and don't sweat the small stuff.
Everyone to continue to be awesome
everyone to take a chill pill and chillax
Everyone - like, chill out, man. It's all good...JP
everyone, to be more like Mr. Montague
Everyone; don't take drugs
everyone! Don't stress, it's just high school
everyone... don't wait until the last minute
Everyone... Only use 2nd floor bathrooms
Everyone...do what makes you happy
everyone...do your work, it's really easy
Everyone...don't be late
everyone...don't make BLS your life
Everyone...don't take French
everyone...don't take physics senior year
everyone...enjoy the ride
everyone...FDB
everyone...hang in there!
everyone...love yourself
everyone...makes senior year the best year possible
figure out what you want to do in life early
Freshman, Don't slack off
Freshmen to start getting good grades now, don't wait until your junior year to start trying
Freshmen... is... don't slack off now
Freshmen...browse rate-my-teachers.com and use good judgment
freshmen...get good grades because you will regret it senior year
Freshmen...work hard

now, you can party at any school
freshmen...your grades count
Freshmen...keep fighting
future BLS students...to make sure your water bottle is fully dosed before putting it into your bag
future seniors, do not take ELA 12
Future seniors, take time for yourself!
future seniors: apply to a million scholarships
Future seniors: senioritis is TOO REAL
Get to know Gio, Montague and Ms Clougherty.
Get turnt every chance you can
Harry Caffrey/Maffei...don't get expelled
head nod kid...keep nodding
head nod kid...keep on nodding
Holly to stay in Brighton
incoming freshman... DONT SLACK OFF! You'll regret it later
Incoming seniors... not to catch senioritis
Ivy League hopefuls; Do things for yourself, not your resume
Jake Woods...stay away from the LG's in college
Joe Donovan, don't follow in the footsteps of your brother
Juniors is to really start enjoying senior year after colleges acceptances/ take lots of pictures
Juniors, Always remember to make memories
juniors, get 8 hours of sleep per week
Juniors; start your college

process early
Juniors...don't fall for Amias Callender
Juniors...get 7 hours of sleep PER WEEK!! ;D
Juniors...good luck with senioritis
juniors...take classes you want to take. Colleges should love you for who you are
Juniors...you'll get into college...
Katie Wilson...stop making me late to school
Leave while you have the chance
LMT...answer your email
Make sure you get good grades early at BLS it's hard to raise
making friends may seem like the cool thing to do, but in reality it's every man for themselves
Matt Chiang, wink at Georgetown girls :)
me; be wild in college
Meghan Gillespie to rave forever
Mrs. Kirkpatrick, to keep educating the masses about reality
People to find what they're good at and stick to it
Pony bay/stay golden
Remaining BLS Students is miss as many days as you can and sleep
Saoirse is to love yourself.
seniors...don't take everything so seriously
sixies and 8th graders...don't write on the bathroom walls
Sixies is don't get too attached these people, some of them aren't your real friends
Sixies is stop using the big suitcase backpacks because

you are holding up traffic in the halls
sixies is to not be afraid to try new things
Sixies is to stop running everywhere
Sixies is to transfer
sixies is to...NOT RUN IN THE HALLWAYS your class is right there
Sixies, enjoy yourselves
Sixies, get out while you can
Sixies, this is BLS not BLT
Sixies... have fun while you can
Sixies...Consider your fashion choices now
sixies...don't take French
Sixies...don't stress out
sixies...get involved in school
Sixies...start sports early
sixies...to make the best out of your years here
Sophomores, start working harder next year
Start everything early
stop locking the bathrooms
Students is take advantage of every opportunity given to you
Surround yourself w/ amazing people
TAG...keep having shows
teachers...go easier senior year
the lunch line...single file plz
The Sixies...Just Relax
under classmen...stay in your lane
underclassen...enjoy senior year it goes too fast
underclassmen is make everything count
underclassmen is take care of yourselves
underclassmen is to get to know your classmates before you leave
underclassmen is to join clubs or something you're

passionate about and stick with it
Underclassmen is to maximize their opportunities and take advantage of everything
underclassmen know your place
Underclassmen... Don't compare yourself to everyone else. There will always be someone better.
underclassmen...enjoy your time w/ classmates while you can
underclassmen... to have fun and live life don't be lazy with school but remember to make memories so you can look back on them later
underclassmen...don't worry be happy!
underclassmen...enjoy the people in your grade before it's too late
underclassmen...know your place
underclassmen...make the most of your time at BLS
Underclassmen...NEVER take physics senior year
Underclassmen...stay in your lane
underclassmen...TAKE YOUR GRADES SERIOUSLY!!
underclassmen...transfer out of crap classes ASAP
Upcoming seniors...don't slack off!
upper classmen...avoid the LG trap
upper classmen...take art!
US is to not be defined by another person and enjoy solitude
You... Stay Strong! You can do it!
you...to smile
You...build a golden heart

***Congratulations
Christine!***
We Are So Proud of You!

Kindergarten

BLS



Love, Mom, Dad and Chelsea

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Boston Latin School
Class of 2014



Daniel

We wish you the very best!
We Love You!
Mom, Dad, & Katie
Sumus Primi

Congratulations!



**Claire
Komyati**



We are so proud of you!
Aloha and bisous!!
We love you to St. Louis and back...
Mom and Dad

Claire...

You don't know how proud I am of you. You are honestly the smartest, prettiest, most hardworking person I know and you've helped me become who I am today. You're not only my sister, you're my mentor, my best friend, my partner in crime. I've been extremely blessed to be with you the past 16 years. It's going to be lonely around the house when you're so far away, but I know you're going out in the real world to do something big.

Congratulations big sis, you deserve it.

Love, Ariane



EDITORS' FAREWELLS

Editors in Chief

So. Here we are—at the brink of a momentous change in our lives. When we say goodbye to everything that we currently know or have known, we embark on the first real trials of adulthood.

For now, in this sort of limbo between childhood and adulthood, we have the precious luxury of time to think, reflect and become more resolved about the paths we intend to follow. No longer do we have to wake up before the sun and trudge through monstrous banks of snow to get to our assigned homeroom seats at 7:45 A.M. No longer do we have to sit inside a classroom with barred windows, wistfully watching the feathered wings that carry their owners wherever they please. No longer do we have to carry dozens of pounds of books and binders from the basement to the third floor, suffocated by a slew of sixies swarming the stairwell.

Like it or not, BLS has trained us well, through everyday experiences.

We empathize with Olympic silver medalists because we have learned the value of a millisecond: it is the difference between being on time for homeroom and performing the walk of shame to the tardy desk and having to come in at 7:00 A.M. the next morning.

We empathize with Rocky because we have learned the value of persistence: it is the difference between not knowing how to write a bibliography and crafting a compelling, convincing and coherent research paper.

We empathize with Mother Teresa because we have learned the value of giving: it is the difference between being isolated and helping your classmates, teammates, clubmates and friends grow over the years.

Whether you look back on your experience at BLS as a great time, a terrible tragedy or a mixed bag is entirely up to you. Whatever you decide, however, realize that this is it. Each experience is only what we make of it. If we simply expect things to be better without any effort from our end, we are never going to be satisfied, let alone happy.

We are simply bits of chicken, rice and celery floating in a soup, continually bumping into each other as we wander through our lives, stirred by a greater force. I get to be the celery because it has negative calories (it has zero calories, and you burn calories while you chew!).

Anyway, my time at Argo has been splendid. It indeed has had its trials and tribulations, but overall it was an incredible experience that made my time at BLS that much richer. It has kindled my love for writing and sparked my passion for journalism. I have learned more than I ever could have imagined about communicating, cooperating and managing something way bigger than the sum of all its parts.

I would like to thank B. Kim, who opened the door and took me under her wing. Thanks to Nhu and Alec, who encouraged me to develop as a news editor. Thanks to Mike for being my co-editor-in-chief. You are a great leader and have always kept me on track, and I'm glad we got to steer the good ship Argo together. Thanks to Sylvie, Marcella and Isabelle for making news so current and relevant. Sylvie and Isabelle, I could always rely on you guys, and I know you will go far with your dedication and persistence. Thanks to Anna for working so hard and laying out the paper. I don't know what we

would have done without you. Good luck to Isabelle and Anna next year; I know you two will keep making the Argo more and more amazing. Thanks to Allie and Grace for being on top of their Arts and Entertainment game and writing fabulous art spotlights. Thanks to Jake, Ming and Terry for keeping forum lively and controversial. Thanks to Lucy for managing the sports section and thanks to German for trying. Thanks to Michelle, Sophia, Anli and Linda for always being great and working tirelessly to correct our stupidity. And thanks to Nathan, Riya and the rest of layout for staying late and being so cheerful and playful despite the long hours of manipulating InDesign. Thanks to Mr. Flynn for being so wonderful, helpful and funny throughout the years. The Argo would not be what it is today without you. And last but certainly not least, a huge thank you to Ms. Moon, who is really Before All Else because she has always kept us on track, managed to keep the Argo afloat when Mike and I didn't know what to do, helped us make a better paper by critiquing it, stayed late everyday, let us use her room, driven me and other staff home and to school, bought us pizza, been a teacher liaison and overall just been the realest, most supportive advisor ever. I'm so thankful for everything you've done for the Argo. Your dedication and passion for everything you do is simply inspiring.

So, this is it. Fare thee well, Argonauts, 2014 and BLS! So long, and thanks for all the free bus passes!

-Alice Xiao

This isn't going to be funny. At least, not in the way you might have expected. So I apologize in advance for not pretending. By the time most of you are reading this, I'll legally be an alumnus of this school. Now, let me preface what I'm about to say with this: I'm incredibly privileged to have gone to BLS. The opportunities it afforded me have been and are unparalleled. I will never stop appreciating all the things that have been given to me as a result of going to BLS. No school is perfect. That is to be expected. So why does BLS, unlike so many other schools, pretend it is perfect? When school pride stands in the way of school improvement, it becomes a bad thing.

BLS has taught me important lessons about what not to do: I've learned how not to get away with lighting a trash can on fire, I've learned how not to have any substantive sexual education class and I've learned how not to become class president (self-burn!). But I've also learned by example: I've learned how one powerful teachers union can strong-arm their way into getting what they want almost all the time, I've learned that bathrooms only need one roll of paper towels per day because nobody needs to dry their hands after R4 and I've learned that using your phone in the hallway or listening to music while using headphones would irrevocably destroy our schooling. I've seen the power of tradition that makes us resistant to change. I've seen students who are legal adults told that any feedback given to teachers is equivalent to a five-year-old rating her babysitter and then denied the ability to speak to the faculty senate.

There have been the highlights, like National Honor Society (NHS) inductions. Every sixie dreams of the day when he or she can stand for six minutes as the headmaster walks down the aisle, even though nobody knows quite why they're standing. This is the icing on the cake of a ceremony that

essentially tells anyone earning less than an arbitrary grade point average that they're somehow worth less than their peers sitting in the NHS-reserved seats. (Side note: I'm a hypocrite for berating this ceremony while I actively support it by being a member of NHS. I certainly have no moral high ground here, I'm only calling 'em like I see 'em. I know I'm part of the problem.) But still, many people remain indifferent.

Let's end with a quote. James Baldwin said, "I love America more than any other country in the world and, exactly for this reason, I insist on the right to criticize her perpetually." The same goes for myself and BLS. For the good of this school, let's remember the bad of this school. Let's all lift our heads up and realize that we need to speak out and give a voice to students, through channels like the Boston Student Union (BSU) and the Student Council. Go ahead and get angry; it's better than indifference. Thanks, BLS, for the most important lesson of all: the critical thinking skills I use to find fault with you.

-Mike Skerrett

News

As I sit here writing this senior farewell on my second day of vacation, I can't help feeling like I never left Boston Latin School. But I really would not be writing this if it were not for a short-lived dream of being a journalist (turns out it's a dying industry, whoops!). And another dream where I hung out with Isaac Buck one Final Friday in the computer lab. And Bobby Fitzpatrick and B. Kim and Carlos Rojas and all the other Argo editors of 2012 who made Final Fridays seem like the place to be/where all the cool kids hung out.

I'd like to thank Bobby for giving me my first open-ended news assignment with a two-hour deadline. And I'd like to thank Daniel and Anumita for basically writing it for me. Thank you to the dozens of copy editors who give up their lives during production week to edit/make fun of our articles and create a nice sauna-like temperature in the computer lab. You probably don't know who I am, but I'm the girl sitting in the back being obnoxious with the ginger and blonde editors. So thank you, copy editors, for the occasional Boloco run. I have enjoyed our time sharing pizza together in Ms. Moon's room every Final Friday. Thank you to Jacob Metz-Lerman for being my co-assistant news editor last year. I thought we maybe would become friends, but you came to so few Argo meetings that I actually forgot your name and had to look it up in an issue from last year.

Thank you, Allie and Lucy for collectively deciding which Argo meetings we could skip and for keeping me company in the computer lab. Also, I will never forget writing the Hunger Games article that legendary Final Friday. We were truly robbed of a Pulitzer.

Thank you, Peet's Coffee for giving me the fuel and energy boost I needed to get through production week. I'm pretty sure it just made me hyper and unable to focus, but I enjoyed it anyway. Thank you, Huntington Avenue's Qdoba for providing me and Lucy with overpriced and unsatisfactory burritos. And thank you to Panera for always preparing the home-cooked meal I never got at home.

Thank you, Sylvie and Isabelle, who were the true News Editors this year. You guys showed up at every

single meeting and were so organized you honestly put the other sections to shame. News would not have looked nearly as good without you two this year. Good luck, and I know you're gonna kill it next year!

And last but not least, thank you to everyone who actually read the News section. I know most of you just read the tidbits (written by yours truly) but there actually is some good stuff on the other four pages! So next year, when you're waiting for homeroom to end or you see a spare Argo lying on a desk in study, open it up to page two and learn a little bit about what's going on in the place we spend 7+ hours a day, the place we give four or six years of our lives to: the unforgettable, indescribable BLS.

-Marcella Caruso

Sports

While both of us can attest that the past six years at BLS have passed relatively slowly, there is no denying that senior year and our time as Sports Editors has flown by. Both of us joined the Argo for the first time this year as new Sports Editors; we were kind of a big deal. Abdi (last year's Sports Editor) made us his successors with STRONG influence. We didn't know everything about all the work that goes into putting together an issue; we were kicked out of the nest by momma bird and expected to fly. From planning out and editing articles to finding writers, to laying out our section, finding pictures and much more, we had a lot to learn. I don't think we ever understood the endless blood, sweat, and tears (only literal on the last two), that go into putting together these 12 to 16 pieces of paper. When the final versions were printed, it was always the best feeling seeing our articles in the paper. The thought of others reading it was amazing too. I hope the writers felt the same. Working for the Argo was very satisfying and rewarding.

Our experiences with the Argo would not have been the same without the people that we have spent time with all year. Thank you to Mike and Alice for all the work they put in as Editors-in-Chief this year. We are sorry for the headaches and stress we caused with late articles and not-so-perfect attendance. At one point of the year we were scared of Alice. One of us (NOT GOING TO SAY WHO) was afraid of her presence in Art, but she made us giggle. Alice, you're the best boss. Thank you to Allie and Marcella for dealing with lack of sleep hyperness and, of course, for co-writing the best article the A&E section has ever seen. Thank you to Copy and Layout for all their work. Thank you to Photo for always being around and being so easy to find. We cannot even imagine how much harder their jobs are than ours. Lastly, thanks to Ms. Moon for always pulling through with the pizza on Final Friday (as well as the million other things you do for the paper). Thank you to our readers and bebs; we hope our best was good enough. We loved writing for the Class of 2014 and couldn't imagine representing any other year. Good luck to next year's Sports Editor, Taran Wise (II). Try to top our success, even though it'll be almost impossible. It's been real, Argo.

P.S. We are only a little salty that our names never appeared on the opening page with all the other section editors. Y'all did us dirty. Don't do the same to our youngsters.

-Lucy Sergeant & German Tobar

EDITORS' FAREWELLS

A & E

Editing for the Arts & Entertainment section of the *Argo* has been a spiritual journey. Starting out, I had absolutely no idea what I was doing. Thankfully, Allie was there to lead me in the right direction. My favorite part of the *Argo* was getting to see the finished product. Even when I hadn't written any articles, I loved seeing the A&E section and knowing I helped make those printed words possible. Now, as I look back to when Stephen Zoulalian chose me (I had written exactly one article for *Argo* in all of my time at Boston Latin School before I was editor), I realize I definitely was not the best candidate. Although I wasn't an *Argo* extraordinaire, I am still proud of the A&E section that Allie and I produced. Yes, we missed a few deadlines here and there, but we were creative. We thought outside the box; A&E was on point. After reading our section, every BLS-er knew "what's hot and what's not." And isn't that the ultimate goal of A&E? Thank you, *Argo*, for providing me with insight into the world of student-run newspapers. I will miss the ten minute meetings and angry emails. I know that we have left the A&E section in more capable hands than our own. I will forever be sad that I missed the celebratory *Argo* ice cream social.

-Grace Mann

Grace is right! We certainly were not the best A&E editors the *Argo* has ever seen, but we sure did have a lot of fun. Over the past year, the cold, stuffy and mice-ridden 016 computer lab became our second home. The weeks

we spent in there finalizing articles, thinking up not-so-catchy titles and bonding with our fellow editors created memories that will last a lifetime. Grace and I conquered each new issue like babies taking their first steps. And yes, that does mean we stumbled, bumped, bruised and even fell with each issue. But hey, what's a great learning experience without a few challenges and plenty of mistakes? But with each mistake, we learned about the importance of working together, communicating and laughing at ourselves, and I thank *Argo* for giving me that opportunity.

Charles Dickens said it best, "[Working on the *Argo*] was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity..."

As we hand over our Gmail password to the next pair of A&E editors, Grace and I can both say that we are proud of what we produced for each issue. We thank the writers for heading out in search of the best burrito, breakfast sandwich and the hottest fashion trends. None of this would have been possible without you guys. As for Malcolm and Vivian, good luck! You guys will add new spunk and creativity to A&E next year, and even when you mess up, which is inevitable, just remember; you can't be as bad as we were!

-Allie Kennelly

Copy

Copy editing in a nutshell: damage control. Or maybe disaster relief. Something sensationalist and attention-

grabbing, because this is our one chance throughout the whole year to step out into the limelight—and dammit, we'll take it. As we frantically google "grammar jokes" and "copy editing insults," it becomes clear just how behind-the-scenes copy editing is for the *Argo*. Unlike most other sections, our job isn't to inflict our opinions upon the world or to educate readers about current events. Instead, we consider your ideas—whether or not we agree—and absorb your news reports weeks before everyone else. When you're pretty proud of the quality of your article, we proofread it again (not once, but twice), just to make sure it looks perfect in print. And for those of you writers who already use Copy as a safety net, we curse you for capitalizing absolutely nothing and "forgetting" that commas exist but we'll still work to make you look good. We've got your back, BLS.

As much as Copy is the perfect home for the closet grammar nazi or undercover perfectionist, editing for us has become so much more than just about the newspaper. From late-night photo shoots during production (hell) week to obsessively hunting the janitors down for a key to our lair, we've made countless memories with a team that is everything we could have hoped for and more. We'll never forget the occasionally frightening enthusiasm of associates who volunteer to edit articles as fast as they appear in our overflowing inbox. A million thanks to all of you for braving the dark and cold to go on food runs for us; we hope that in return, Copy has helped exponentially raise your SAT Verbal scores as promised. (Keep us updated about that—we could

start a business.) We would also like to especially thank our lovely assistant editors, Anli Xiang (II) and Linda Qin (III), for sticking with us through the craziness of hectic schedules, grammar dilemmas and panicked emails/texts/voicemails/sorry for harassing you guys. We're confident that the dream team of Anli, Shirley Zhou (II), Linda and Yujia Song (II) as Copy Editors and assistants will bring smiles and improved grammar to the *Argo* and BLS community next year.

Despite our initial denial and subsequent depression that we've had our last free pizza binge on Final Friday, you underclassmen still have time to enjoy at least a year of BLS ahead of you. Cherish those times. While naturally, *Argo* has represented information sharing and hard work for us, it has also been a priceless source of embarrassing belly laughs and loving support from friends of all ages. Whether or not copy editing is the right fit for you, make sure you find activities that are fulfilling for reasons beyond just keeping busy. Trust us. It'll be the smallest memories with people you met while working on something you're passionate about that will make you tear up when you graduate.

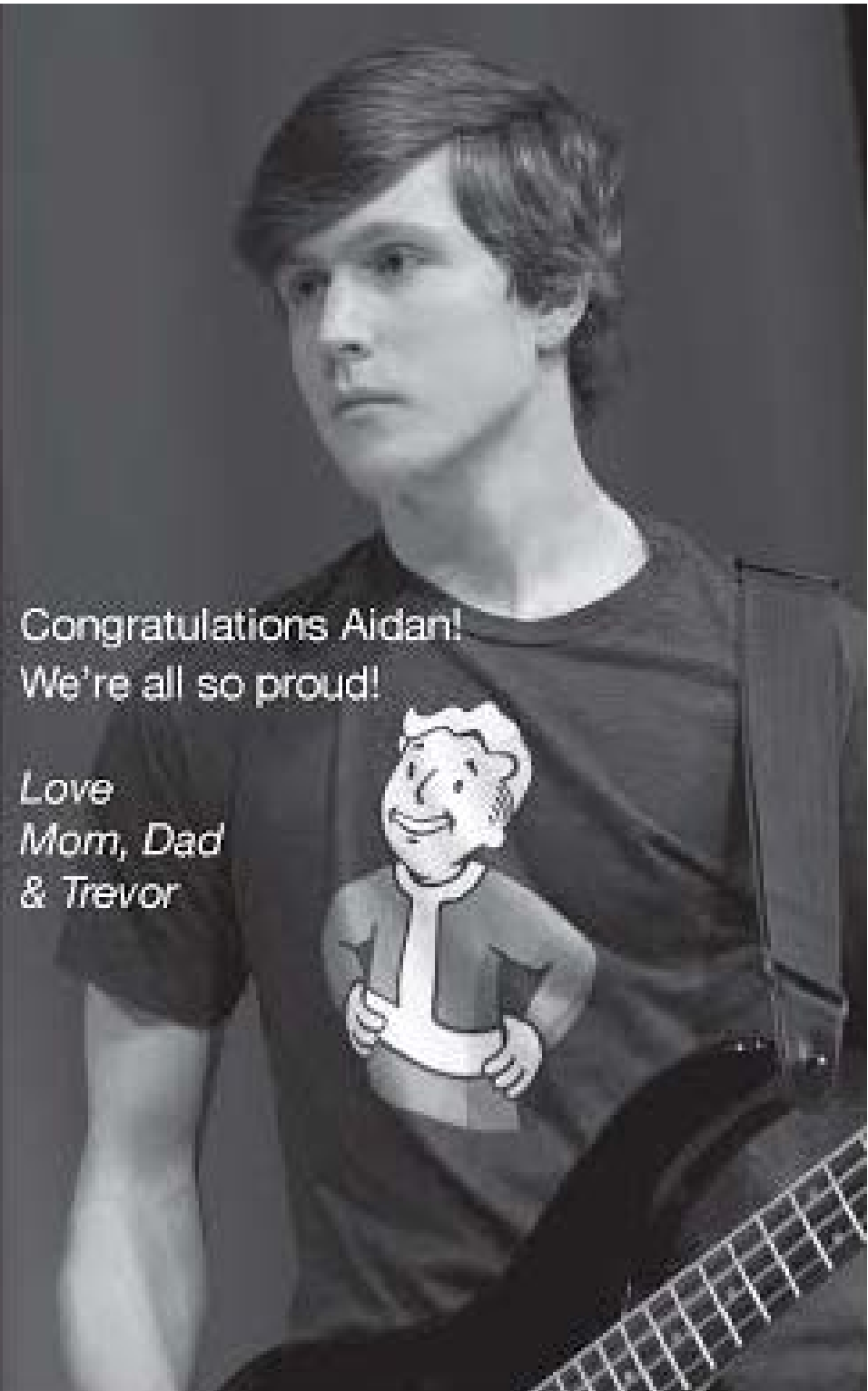
On that note, we'll leave you with one last thought. (Yes, we found it while googling "how to write a copy editing farewell.") As Patricia Fuller once said, "Writing without [editing] is the literary equivalent of waltzing gaily out of the house in your underwear." We love you, we'll miss you, and don't forget to edit your papers, kids! Success is in the details. Best wishes for all.

-Michelle Ng & Sophia Sun

Congratulations
Robert!

Oh, the places you'll go!

Love, Mom, Dad, Andrea,
John, Grace (and Buddy)





Caroline

BOSTON LATIN SCHOOL 2014

Congratulations!
We are so proud of you

We love you,
Mom, Dad and Emma
Go Green!

CONGRATULATIONS
MICHAELA

We are very
proud of you!



To our dear Sophia,
"Always remember you are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem & smarter than you think."

Go forward in life knowing that you are
admired, respected and loved!!
As your family, it has been our privilege to watch
you grow, mature, struggle, succeed, and transcend.
You are a true blessing to us and many others.

Congratulations, Graduate!
With all our love,
Mom, Dad, and Andrea



Blessing and
Love

Congratulations
Nya!

Love Mom,
Dad, & Kai

Gaitlyn Elizabeth Berry

"Surround yourself with the dreamers and the doers,
the believers and the thinkers, but most of all,
surround yourself with those who see the greatness
within you, even when you don't see it yourself."

Don't let anyone limit you



Congratulations Gaitlyn!

We are so incredibly proud of you and the remarkable person that you are. You
bring all of us so much joy! We can't wait to see what life has in store for you.

Love, Dad, Mum, Chris & Dexter



2014

Senior Spotlight
Patrick Naughton



By **HARRISON FLYNN, I**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Packy Naughton came out of the womb with fresh gel caked in his hair and braces on his teeth. Son of Mike and Joanne, Packy grew up on Worley St. in West Roxbury just a block away from me. Due to this unfortunate coincidence, I have had the burden of knowing Packy my entire life. Packy and I had contrasting interests growing up. Instead of going to the movies or hanging out on Centre St. like I always wanted to do, Packy was confined to his house, only allowed to go to baseball practice, school, or his backyard batting cage. His only guilty pleasure was coming over my house to play Spyro or Ratchet and Clank on my PS2.

As we got older, Packy and I shared a bond that many boys share growing up: sports. Despite my best efforts, he always seemed to have the edge over me no matter how hard I tried. When I was declared Super Bowl MVP in flag football, he had to one up me and win the league MVP for the entire year. When it came to baseball, the competition wasn't even close. Until recently, I never understood why he had such an advantage over everyone is sports. Despite the beliefs of some that Packy has "coasted" or "cheated" his way through life (although this may be partially true), Packy has worked incredibly hard to be as successful as he is today. Having known him my whole life, I understand that Packy is one of the hardest-working and most dedicated people one could ever meet and the proof of that is his near 100% recovery from Tommy John surgery, just over a year ago. Many also believe that he is the biggest pain in the butt to ever walk through the doors of BLS. This, on the other hand, is completely true. Whether it is leaving trash in someone's car, forcing you to go on errands with him, or having you hold something for him only to never ask for it back, Packy is always looking for new and innovative ways to annoy people.

Today, Packy spends his time harassing other drivers with his road rage, LGs, and his fellow students. One can only wonder how he can afford his ridiculous lifestyle of Lululemon clothing and Sidewalk Café for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. If one were to look in one of Packy's classes, they would most likely find him productively taking a nap or on his phone. As he awaits his departure to play baseball at Virginia Tech, Packy captains our own baseball team, attempts to avoid Subaru dealerships, consumes his body weight in Swedish Fish and continues to work hard to rehab his elbow. We will all be rooting for you next year, so make us proud. Good luck, buddy.

A&E
Honey, Boston's Calling!

By **NATE KRIEGER, III**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

There is an alarming misconception among many members of our generation that an "indie" band will not perform well at a live concert, or that they won't be fun to see, or at least that it simply will make those in attendance sad for lack of dancing and head-bopping music. There is no way this theory (or rather, hypothesis, for you slick scientific sticklers out there) could have been better disproved than the events of a few weekends ago. Anyone with a pretty decent awareness of this city's cultural happenings or who at least walked past City Hall during Memorial Day weekend knows what I'm talking about: The Boston Calling Music Festival.

The festival started around this time last year, when the indie rock band, The National, kicked off their world tour with a bang, joined in by popular acts such as Fun., Of Monsters and Men and The Shins. The concert, or rather, the string of concerts, was a raging success, with thousands flocking to enjoy the music that many in our age group seem so hesitant to recognize. It was such a boon for our local culture, in fact, that it happened again in September with different bands, over more days, and with even more success. A second sell out, the booming popularity of the festival heralded a new age of concerts in Boston and brought hope to the hearts of music lovers (or some music lovers, anyway) citywide. This

third iteration of the event was no less spectacular.

First and foremost, the weather, with one notable exception, was quite pleasant for an outdoor concert. The Decemberists, who played second to last on Saturday night, had the extraordinarily bad luck of having it rain during their set, and only during their set. Devoted fans stayed, despite the onslaught, and I am told by those far stronger than I that it was a fantastic



FANS TRAVEL FROM ALL OVER THE US TO SEE THEIR FAVORITE BANDS

performance.

Brand New, a band that I knew admittedly little about, blew my figurative socks off. With a singer in a cap and plaid shirt who would look more at home in a farm birthing calves than on a stage crooning to thousands of people, this emo/alternative rock band blew the roof off an outdoor venue. The guitarist, in particular, gave it his absolute all, inspiring concert-goer Gus Viveiros (III) to declare, "He wanted to kill me. Statement." Anyone who managed to stare into his eyes beneath the bobbing mass of thick black hair would be hard-pressed to deny that the man wielding the six-stringed instrument didn't remind them of Jack the Ripper, if a bit more musically and a bit less murder-ly inclined. The band rocked

for a solid hour, leaving the pumped up patrons dazed and confused in the wake of their music.

The two headliners of the weekend, Death Cab for Cutie and Modest Mouse, each delivered on the promise they made by headlining a festival like Boston Calling. Opening with the eight minute ballad "I Will Possess Your Heart," Death Cab for Cutie at first confused the audience with a four minute introduction, and then blew them away with pure heart, soul and technical mastery. Building up the pressure with intricately woven guitar riffs and drum beats, they finally released it with the ever popular "I Will Follow You Into the Dark," resulting in a phenomenal melodic experience, which attendee Hannah Givertz (I) could only describe as "dope."

Modest Mouse, an act which is often mistaken for a mellow hipster band by those who have only heard of them by name, stepped up to the plate when headlining the festival's final night. The band is rarely lauded for their live performances, but their set made everyone in attendance recognize this for the mistake that it is. With electrifying energy and unbelievable emotion, the band offered a very memorable finale to the festival.

So to anyone out there who doubts the raw power that an "indie" or "alternative" band can bring to the stage, I regret to inform you that you have been sorely misled. Twenty-four amazing bands proved that notion wrong. Boston proved it wrong. Life proved it wrong. If you like live music, you should take what you can get. And in this case, what you could get was pretty gosh darn great.

Asian Night- Seeing Is Believing

By **LINDA QIN, III**
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Once again, Boston Latin School (BLS) Asian Students in Action (ASIA) came back strong this year with an incredible Asian Night. It was an evening full of fantastic talent, exposure to new cultures and hilarious—though sometimes awkward—jokes. The theme of the 2014 show was "Reflection," which, as co-presidents Ivan-na Lin (I) and Oanh Nguyen (I) explained in their student letter, not only relates to the quintessential Mulan song, but also calls upon students to discover and appreciate their unique heritage and individuality. Through acts ranging from dancing to martial arts, BLS students did indeed achieve this "reflection" by celebrating their diversity and showcasing the wide range of talent within the community.

In order to make sure the show is successful, BLS ASIA started planning as early as January, auditioning potential performers and checking up on them biweekly to make sure that they were in tip-top shape. The week leading up to the show became even more hectic, with each act trying to fit in their stage rehearsal time and make last-minute adjustments. This year, the tireless show coordinators, Lina Liu

(III), Samantha To (II) and Nhan Truong (III), stayed at school from the dismissal bell all the way until ten at night the Thursday before Asian Night to ensure that each and every act was ready for its performance the next day.

Not only did the officers of ASIA put in great amounts of their time, how-

ever, but the performers did as well. Suzanna Hoang (II), vice-president of BLS Dance Club, which performed a medley of dances entitled "conFUSION," remarks, "What people see come May are the coordinating costumes, flashing lights and seamless choreography. What they don't see are the long hours lingering in school running a dance endless amounts of times, feeling like the days dwindle down too fast." Every year, Asian Night culminates in its final performance, Senior Dance, the most highly anticipated one of the night. As the name suggests, this act is entirely composed of seniors, who, through a dance, give their final farewells to the school that has taken up six (or four) years of their life. The 2014 Senior Dance, "1 4 The Books," took a spin on the classic character of Waldo as the audience followed his trip throughout the world, searching for romance. The curtains closed on the seniors victoriously chanting, "It's all over!" Nevertheless, despite the uplifting aura that spread over the auditorium, a different one overcame some seniors, like Maggie Yu (I), who admits, "This year's Asian Night is definitely the most memorable of all the ones I've performed in. Only when all the seniors came up on stage did I realize that my BLS career is over."

Despite the various difficulties on the road to Asian Night, the final product made the entire journey worth it for those in the show. In reflection on the whole thing, Suzanna Hoang comments, "In the end, the blood, sweat and tears are merely tears of happiness; ecstasy in the form of pride and success, dedication and heart. Asian Night brings out the best in all of us, and it will continue to do so as long as students sustain the passion to keep it alive and thriving."



STUDENTS REFLECT ON THEIR TIME AT BLS

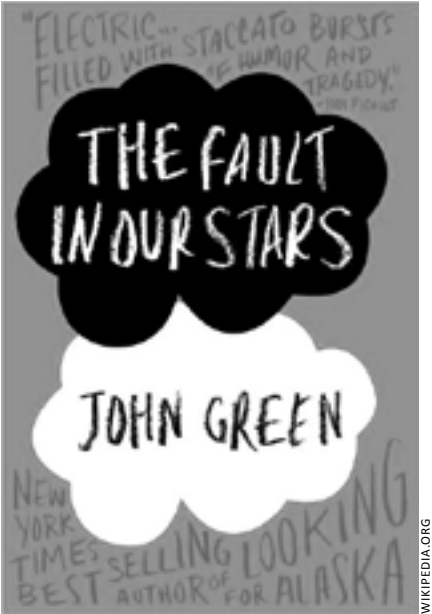
Okay? Okay.

By **KARINA FERZOCO, III**
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Do you enjoy films that make you laugh, cry and smile all at the same time? Looking for something to do after school with your friends? Trying to figure out the hype behind one of the most talked about novels of the year? Then *The Fault In Our Stars* movie is for you!

The Fault in Our Stars is an adaptation of John Green’s novel by the same name. It is told in the eyes of a sixteen-year-old girl named Hazel Grace, who has thyroid cancer that has spread to her lungs, forcing her to use an oxygen tank. In her support group, she meets a boy named Augustus Waters, who had osteosarcoma, which resulted in him amputating his leg. Hazel and Augustus became friends immediately, and readers witness their journey from friendship to a relationship. The book goes into detail about the ups and downs in their special bond, and how cancer changes not only their own lives, but also the lives of everyone around them. They exchange books, console their blind and heartbroken friend Isaac and even travel all the way to Amsterdam together. It is a hilarious and heart-breaking story, one that everyone should either read or see in theaters.

Hazel’s journey in *The Fault In Our Stars* may be extraordinary, but the inspiration is even more moving. Before



THE NOVEL THAT’S SWEEPING THE NATION.

writing this novel, John Green worked as a student aid at a children’s hospital. He had always wanted to write a book about a child with cancer, but could never get the character right, until he met Esther Earl, a sixteen-year-old girl battling thyroid cancer. It is important to note that Hazel is not based off of Esther’s particular battle with cancer, but instead of how Esther dealt with the illness, and how she kept her strength. Green wanted fans to understand the impact Esther made on his life and the world, and how he created the character Hazel.

From the inspiration of *The Fault In Our Stars*, to the plot itself, the upcoming movie has developed quite the fandom. It was named “the most anticipated movie of the summer.” The *New York Times* said it was “a blend of melancholy, sweet, philosophical and funny,” and that it “stays the course of tragic realism.” Several well-known authors such as Jodi Picoult, the author of *My Sister’s Keeper*, and Markus Zusak, the author of *The Book Thief*, have left extremely positive reviews as well. Picoult calls it “an electric portrait of young people who learn to live life with one foot in the grave,” and later says the novel is “filled with staccato bursts of humor and tragedy.” Zusak says it is “a novel of life and death and the people caught in between.”

Reviews aren’t the only thing leaving fans on the edge of their shoes, but the actors and actresses portraying their favorite characters have them ecstatic as well. The film features the famous Shailene Woodley, starring as Hazel, Ansel Elgort, playing Augustus and Nat Wolff, playing Isaac. These stars, along with Green himself, have been touring cities across North America, including Miami, Nashville and Dallas, psyching fans up in preparation for the film.

The movie comes out on Friday, June 6th, in all theaters in the United States.

Spotlight Owen Ward



By **ALEX CASSESSO, I**
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Owen Ward, or better known as my legit BOY. What comes to mind when you think of this strange creature? Probably a nomadic lurch who journeys from town to town, holding his iPod up to the sky looking for the strongest free Wi-Fi connection he can find. Owen gets around by jumping from bus to bus, or occasionally subway surfing if he’s feeling frisky, until he finally reaches his home in the great town of.... well, nobody really knows where that is exactly. I will, however, debunk all the rumors right now because I’m tired of this. Owen lives with the fam in Brighton. Not Southie. And definitely not Dot. Regardless of his locational confusion, Owen didn’t get the nickname HerbalOwen for nothing. Owen rarely left his house, and there were many parallels between him and Stoop Kid from *Hey Arnold*, the kid who was afraid to leave his stoop. Nowadays, he can usually be found balling up or making comedy snapchats at the Brighton YMCA (yes, there is Wi-Fi there). And in the rare case he isn’t there, he’s either plotting some devious plan to play on my Xbox, or with his bae Amanda in CTown, wearing Sperrys against his will.

Owen Ward is pretty much good at everything he does besides Xbox (seriously, Rainman would be better), and everything just comes naturally to him. I’ve even heard that once Owen just picked up a longboard and did a double Ollie McFlip twist, which even Cole has yet to attempt, for it has been deemed nearly impossible by the Jamaica Plain community. It is even said that he snuck on the plane to the Bahamas, bottled every single Quincy kid once there, hijacked a Bahamian’s boat, wrote “S.S. Dot” on the side, then proceeded to sail all the way to Montreal to tell the Dot kids his tale of woe and prosper, then took the bus all the way home, all in one single day. Talk about savage, huh?

All jokes aside, Owen Ward is genuinely one of the funniest and real-est kids in the school. He has been my legit dude since we met at BLS and we had an unreal bromance all these years. I’m pretty sure our first encounter was when we both looked at a girl and said, “Dude she’s soooooo hot!” in little pre-pubescent voices. Ever since then, we’ve done practically everything together, and I wouldn’t trade those memories for anything. He’s always been there for me through it all, whether it was helping me solve my girl problems, deflating my ego when necessary, or reminding me of my wig days. He is nasty at every single sport, he’s smart and he cares a lot about his family and friends. Gene Gene The Dancing Machine and AnnMarie (and her famous whoopee pies) raised an amazing kid who I can’t imagine spending my BLS career without. He is a great kid and will always be one of my best and most sincere friends for life.

Show, Age 5, Smothered

By **GABE WILLIS EDLEMAN, II**
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#SixSeasonAndAMovie— the rallying cry of the many devoted fans of *Community*, a sitcom that the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) announced was being cancelled in early May after only five years. The phrase originates from one of the show’s running jokes, where it was used to symbolize the measure of a show’s success. Ever since *Community* was first in danger of being canceled, however, fans of the show have turned it into a movement. The show, a critical and cult darling, never managed to achieve commercial success, and low ratings had them constantly slated for cancellation. With perseverance on both sides of the screen, however, they were able to hang on for another season each year. Their luck ran out when on May 9, after only five seasons (and no movie), NBC finally decided to end *Community*’s run in favor of such “gems” as *Working the Engels*, a sitcom about an unqualified widow taking over the “cook” law office of her late husband, Mr. Engel...oh god. Yes, NBC has made some pretty bad decisions, and it will pay the price for it, but we cannot allow *Community* to be ended in its prime.

Community, set in a dilapidated, poorly run community college, featured an incredible cast including *The Soup*’s Joel McHale, *Drake and Josh*’s Yvette Nicole Brown, *Mad Men*’s Alison Brie, *SNL*’s Chevy Chase and, of course, the magnificent Donald Glover (aka Childish Gambino). In addition to boasting entertaining plotlines, hilarious one-liners, as well as both

lovable and hateable characters, the show was also rife with controversy. Show runner and creator Dan Harmon frequently got in fights with the historically ill-tempered Chevy Chase, eventually leading to Chase’s departure from the show. Before the fourth season, Harmon himself was fired, which resulted in a lackluster



WHO KNOWS WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS FOR ABED AND THE REST OF THE STUDY GROUP

(by the show’s own standards) ensuing season, written and run by temps. Perhaps the nail in the coffin was the announced departure of Donald Glover, which meant that the show would have to continue with only four out of the six original cast members. Dan Harmon, however, returned to the helm for the fifth season, which stunned viewers with a complete and successful reboot.

Community will go down in history as another show with an incredibly devoted fan base, great reviews, but poor ratings. With *Community*’s cancellation and the announcement that another beloved Thursday night sitcom, *Parks and Recreation*, will be entering its own final season, NBC comedy will enter a new era, ending a “golden age” of comedy programming. In its heyday, NBC boasted a lineup consisting of *30 Rock*, *The Office*, *Community* and *Parks and Recreation*. I

can say with honesty that I’ve never seen a show quite like *Community*, with “concept episodes” with themes ranging from Wild West paintball to Civil War pillow fights. Most of all, the show undeniably had heart. Each and every character had his or her moments of weakness and strength, and each was lovable in their own way— even Chase’s politically incorrect fogey, Pierce Hawthorne. Troy (Glover) teamed up with the adorably meta Abed (Danny Pudi) to form one of the most endearing and entertaining friendships in television history, which provided 97 percent of the show’s laughs. Dan Harmon, a big fan of the similarly ill-fated *Arrested Development*, has entertained the idea of bringing the show back on other platforms to fulfill the

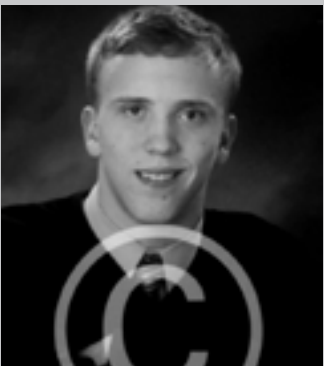
#SixSeasons mantra, and just as *Arrested Development* aired a fourth and final season exclusively on Netflix, Harmon is in talks with Hulu, discussing this exciting possibility. While I’d love to see that promised sixth season, it is important to remember that sometimes one must let a show end. We all saw what happened when *The Office* went on for far too long, losing a significant portion of the original cast, and I’d hate to see that happen to *Community*. The show will hopefully at least get some closure since the fifth season ended with Abed exclaiming that they would definitely be back the next year... unless a meteor came down and wiped out humanity. As of now, I will remember *Community* as a show that blew me away with its ridiculous references, incredible writing, great concept episodes and the imperishable “Troy and Abed in the Morning.”

A&E

New Summer Break Sounds

Senior Spotlight

Jack O'Toole



By Owen Ward, I
Contributing Writer

Dorchester is a thriving neighborhood in Boston. From the hours of 8 p.m. to 8 a.m., however, a new section of the city arises... DOT! Dot has a long history of proud overseers, including Mark Wahlberg. Today, however, Dot is run by an oligarchy: the infamous Beans, Powers, but most influential of the three is John "Jack" O'Toole Jr.

Jack rules from his house overlooking Toohig Park. From his bedroom window, he surveys his younger brothers, Danny and Ronan, training to be the next great leaders of Dot. He also keeps a watchful eye out for the barbarians to the south: Quincy and Milton kids. Jack has waged war on the children of Quincy for years. Once when a Quincy ambassador approached, asking for peace, he scoffed, and the Spartan kicked him into an endless pit screaming, "THIS IS DOT!"

Over the past few years, I've had exclusive access to the O'Toole family and Jack's life. Today, the public learns about who he really is. You've probably seen Jack bounce down the hallways. He's six foot three inches, handsome, blonde with a chiseled jawline and an athletic build. He's a solid 8.93 out of 10 on any girl or middle-aged woman's scale. Surprisingly, there's more behind Jack's devilish good looks. He's one of the smartest kids I've ever met and one of the best judges of character. He's loyal, especially if you mess with his brothers, one of his boys, or Mr. Gay. Jack also has an amazing sense of humor. Whether he's imitating faculty members who take themselves too seriously, hipsters who want to "TAKE DOWN THE SYSTEM!", or yuppies who "need a new pair of Sperry's and pastel shorts," Jack keeps everyone around him laughing fah dayz kehd. Did I also mention that Jack's a great athlete? He played tight end for the football and led the team in receiving yards and TD's. He also played center for the basketball team. He was a leader who used the hopes, dreams and pride of Dot to push him to success. His Dot-ness is almost tangible when playing beside him. You're probably already blown away by Jackers, but the most important thing to know about him is that he's in the Marines. There's no one I respect more than Jack, and the fact that he's willing to risk everything for America is amazing, considering he could have easily gone to college, but chose to serve instead. He's the type of person you want defending your country. Every day Jack is in the Marines is just another bad day to be in the Taliban. Jack has been one of my closest friends through high school and I, along with many others, will miss him. He's a kid you know will do great things (naturally, being the son of John O'Toole, this is his destiny). Good luck Jack, and when you're in the Marines, don't leave basketballs lying around.

By Vivian Herbert, III
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Summer time is just around the corner. It promises beach days, relaxation, and for the music lovers out there, new releases from some of their favorite artists. 2014 was obviously a big year for music, as artists like Lorde skyrocketed to fame and OutKast reunited. This may seem like a tough act to follow, but these next few months look promising. One of the most anticipated albums of the summer is Frank Ocean's new release. His last project, channel ORANGE, took control of the music scene after its release in July of last year. It snagged him three Grammy nominations and a win for Best Urban Contemporary Album. It definitely sets the bar high, but there's no doubt that the R&B groundbreaker will give his fans some more smooth singles and edgy beats.

In terms of country music, Miranda Lambert is set to release her fifth album, entitled Platinum. With her new single "Automatic" and a duet with fellow powerhouse Carrie Underwood, it's clear that this release is poised to live up to its name. Miranda, however, isn't the only popular singer with a much anticipated summer album. Lana Del Rey's Ultraviolet is also coming out soon. Excluding

a few cinema inspired singles and dance remixes, Lana hasn't graced fans with a new album since her debut, Born To Die. Listeners have a lot to look forward to, however, as promising tracks like "West Coast" and "Shades of Cool" have found their way onto the Internet and Lana has stated that she is working on this album with the talented Black Keys frontman Dan Auerbach.



AN ANTICIPATED OCEAN ALBUM IS ON THE WAY

For fans of rap, summer of 2014 is looking up. The self-proclaimed god is back at it again, as Kanye told Philly's Power 99 that he's planning on releasing his seventh studio LP (long playing record) this summer. It has no title or release date yet, but after last year's Yeezus and his new marriage, there's no telling what kind of creation West has crafted for his fans. Another heavy hitter in the hip hop

game, Nas, who will be visiting Boston this September for the Boston Calling festival, also has been in the studio working on his eleventh studio album. He has been reportedly working with producers Swizz Beatz and No I.D. on this new project, inspired by the twentieth anniversary of his widely popular and critically acclaimed debut album Illmatic. Again, no release date has been set, but keep an eye out for some new '90's inspired jams.

Lastly, some radio regulars are prepared for the summer buzz. Ariana Grande has been having an amazing year. She released a single called "Problem" with popular rapper Iggy Azalea this spring, and her late August album is rumored to have a similar "more grown up" feel. Ed Sheeran also is ready to release some more music, with his new album Multiply releasing on June 23. His single "Sing" has been dominating the stations, and his mellow vibe is popular with people of all types. His fellow producers, such as Benny Blanco and Pharrell Williams, showcase Sheeran's new dominance in the industry.

So, music fans, here's to the hopes that this new lineup will provide enough motivation to get through finals, or, at least, provide a good procrastination playlist.

***"You're off to Great Places!
Today is your day!
Your mountain is waiting,
So... get on your way!"***

Dr. Seuss



**Congratulations Sarah!
You made it!
We are so proud of you.
Love your guts!
Dad, Mom and Sean**



Congratulations

Marcella!

**We are very
proud of you.**

**Love,
Mom, Jane,
Xavier, Portia & Gio**

Congratulations

Rachel!

***You did it, and
we all survived.***

We love you.

- Mom and Dad and Lily -

Michaela

Herzlichen Glückwunsch zum Schulabschluss!
Wir sind sehr stolz auf Dich.
Viel Glück bei deinem nächsten Abenteuer!

You've grown into an amazing young woman.



Love and kisses,
Dad, Mom, Mariah, Grammy,
Nana,
Bismarck, Kumquat and Trance



Auguri, Ari!

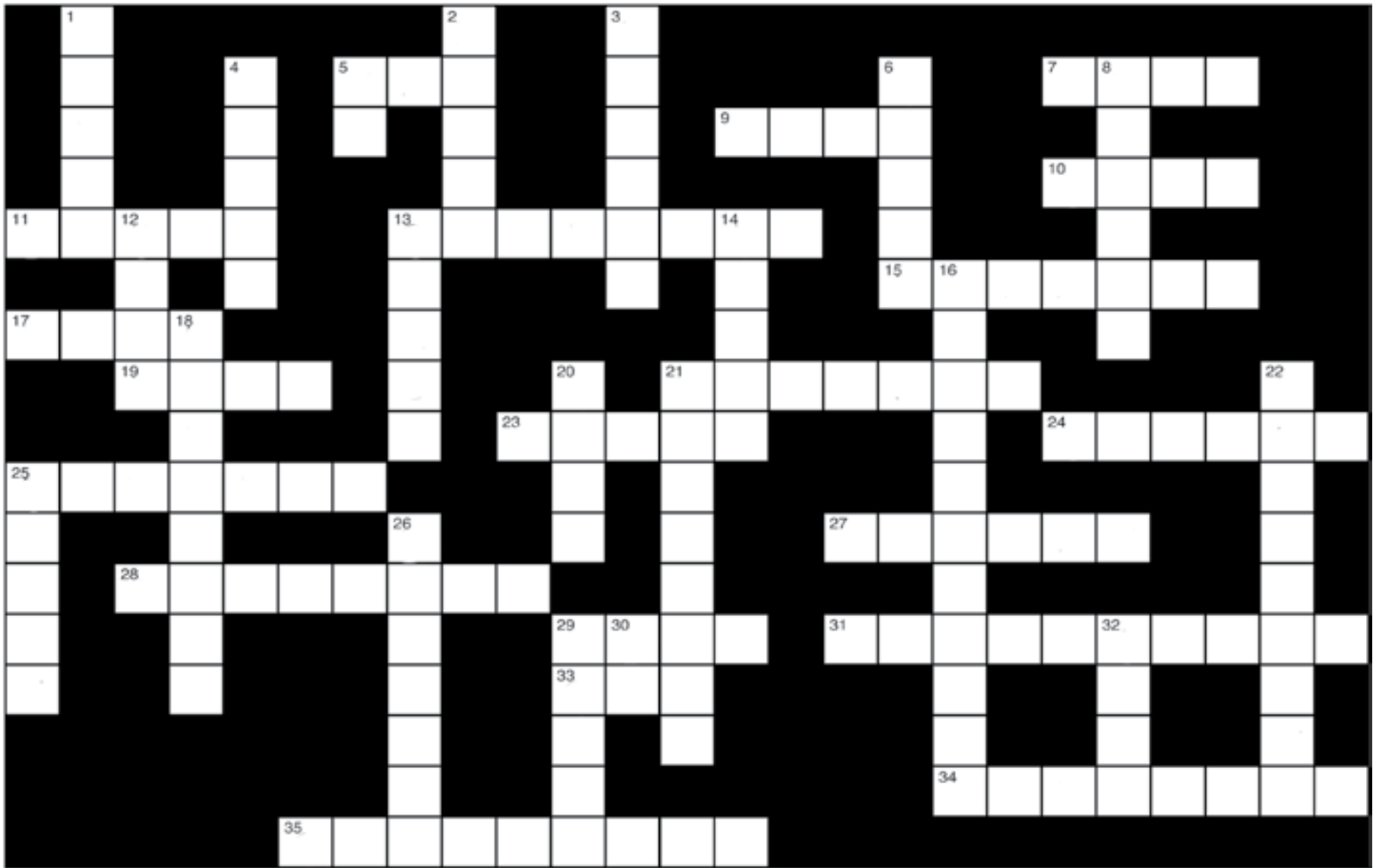
**We are so gratified to see what a resilient, accomplished young woman
you've become!**

May life bring you all you deserve, in the tradition of Zorba the Greek's "full
catastrophe!"

Your proud & loving family

Mama, Marina, Nana & Aunt Dor and

Your Dad (who would've been speechless with admiration...and teary eyed)



Across

5. Bill’s bride
7. Pop flower
9. On Wednesdays we wear
10. ””We have to go back” show
11. A Lannister always pays it’s ____
13. Mr White vs. Nessy
15. APUSH king
17. The Black Keys’ new color
19. Napoleon’s exile
21. Superbowl #1 Winner
23. Yankee’s last year
24. Norm’s norm
25. English band, French name, Italian city
27. Woody’s gruff pup
28. Arthur’s species
29. True Detective’s grumpy gus
31. Cambridge sketch troupe
33. Lennon’ lady
34. BLS’ newest class
35. #5seasonsandameteor

Down

1. Kiwi teen queen
2. Fargo Hitman
3. 2014 World Cup
4. Gatsby’s flower
5. Pixar soars
6. Mughal Emperor, trap identifier
8. Charlie Kelly likes ____
12. Who’s Clues?
13. Bing Goggles, Google
14. ”Take a look, its in a book” host
16. Swedish striker
18. Hannibal’s MoT
20. Fresh Prince & Jazzy ____
21. Vikings ”all day”
22. Pissy name for a musical
25. Ed, Edd, & Eddy: Johnny’s pal
26. Best name (Flynn, X, in the middle)
29. Teen Titan leader
30. Numeral & East Asian Dictator
32. Original March Madness

Tongue Depression



Sports

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Brandon Shave, II
Nate Krieger, III
& Gus Viveiros, III



Sudoku

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